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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

SELECTMEN,
C. R. BARTLETT, T. S. HEALD, H. E. WHEELER.

ASSESSORS,
W. C. TEMPLE, GEO. S. PUTNAM, E. H. CROSBY.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.
HENRY A. KENNEN, HENRY A. CONVERSE, WM. H. MAYNARD.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
W. A. HUNTER, SIDNEY CRAWFORD, FRANKLIN HATHAWAY.

WATER COMMISSIONERS,
C. R. BARTLETT, W. T. BROWN, W. A. WHEELER.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES,
W. C. TEMPLE, MRS. G. B. MUNROE, MRS. L. Q. SPAULDING.

CONSTABLES,
L. M. HANFF, J. W. MOULTON, G. S. PUTNAM,
M. D. POTTER, J. H. GRIFFIN.

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS.

To J. WARREN MOULTON, Constable, of the Town of Rutland, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland qualified to vote in election and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday the fifth day of March next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

ART. 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk for one year ; for three Selectmen for one year ; for three Assessors for one year ; for three Overseers of Poor for one year ; a Town Treasurer for one year ; a Collector of Taxes for one year ; five Constables for one year ; an Auditor for one year ; one member of the School Committee for three years ; one member of the Water Commissioners for three years ; one Trustee of the Free Public Library for three years,

and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town," all the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The Polls will be opened at 10 o'clock A.M., and may be closed at 2 o'clock P. M.

ART. 4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

ART 5. To choose a Tree Warden in compliance with Chapter 330 of the Acts of 1899.

ART. 6. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer of the Town, to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see if the Treasurer of the Town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.

ART. 9. To see what sums of money the Town shall raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools ; for repairs of Highways and Bridges ; for the support of the poor ; for State and Military Aid, for use on Memorial Day ; for transportation to and from the Public Schools ; and for contingent expenses and paying debts

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take to have the Public Building and Hose House taken care of.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will accept of the List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday Law against hunting and fishing or act anything thereon.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to abate any Taxes in the hands of the Collector.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to extend its water system from the hydrant on the Depot road, to the house of Henry B. Dean five thousand and fifty feet, or act anything thereon.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to build a Tower for drying hose or act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to buy a Hose Reel and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will vote to more clearly define the limits, or bounds, of a road which the Town voted to discontinue March 2, 1896, leading by the house of J. W. Munroe, and establish the southerly bound at the south end of said Munroe barn, or act anything ththereon.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to build a Coal Shed at Pumping Station or act thereon.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote to unite with Paxton, Oakham and Hubbardston to employ a Superintendent of Schools and make an appropriation for the same.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will vote to grade and lay out their Common or take any other action in reference thereto.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a Piano for the use of the Public Building and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to make an Appropriation for the Water Department on account of Hydrant Service, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting Attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of said Town. One at each Post Office, and one at the Congregational Church in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereby fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fifteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
H. E WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending Feb. 1, 1900.

We have paid the Holden Town Farm Association,	
at \$2.108 per week of each inmate,	\$348 21

EXPENSE OUTSIDE.

Paid E. W. Merrick, for twelve tramps, two years bill,	\$ 3 00
City of Worcester, for Annie Spooner,	4 00
Dr. L. Dieonne, for Elizie Clark,	30 00
Patrick Delhanty, for Chas. E. Adams,	97 34
Mrs. Chas. White, for Mrs. Hannah Martin.	52 00
Samuel Sherman, for care of Henry Clark,	52 00
Roland C. Prescott, burial of Mrs. Otis Demond,	14 00
Dr. L. E. Dieonne, care of Mrs. Curtis Chickering,	16 00
Town of Berlin, for care Samuel Stratton,	52 00
Dr. Wm. E. Chamberlin, for care Chas. D. Adams,	37 00
Henry Converse, groceries for Goodwin family,	15 96
Henry Converse, groceries for Curtis Chickering,	39 06
City of Worcester Hospital, for Harry Strong,	2 72
	\$763 29

Received from City of Lowell, for Goodwin family, \$15 96

Received from Town of Warren, for C. D. Adams, 85 00

\$100 96

Net expense for supporting the Poor the past year,	\$662 33
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HENRY A. KENNEN, HENRY CONVERSE, WILLIAM H. MAYNARD,	}	Overseers.
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TENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOLDEN POOR FARM ASSOC'N

For the Year ending January 31, 1900.

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT

HOLDEN.

Name. .	Age.	Admitted.		No. Days
Lizzie Kenney,	43	April 1890,	continues,	365
Nahum S. Newton,	69	Dec. 24, 1891,	continues,	365
Winfred Durdeen,	50	June 22, 1897,	continues,	365
Newton Marshall	59	Jan. 15, 1898,	disch. Mar. 21,	49
Charles Prue,	77,	May 17, 1898,	disch. May 31,	120
John Doyle,	56,	Feb. 27, 1898,	dish. March 28,	29
				1,293

HUBBARDSTON.

David Rice,	81,	April 1, 1890,	continues,	365
Mary Savage,	45,	Sept. 8, 1899,	continues,	145
Hattie Dexter,	55,	Oct. 2 1899,	continues,	121
				631

PAXTON.

Carrie Suow,	45,	April 10, 1896.	continues,	365
Mitchel Kerrivan,	57,	Dec. 7 1899,	disch. Dec. 13,	6
				371

PHILLIPSTON

David Chickering,	76,	Oct. 6, 1899,	continues,	117
Eldora Baker,	31,	Oct. 9, 1899,	continues,	114
Earnest Baker,	12,	Oct. 9, 1899,	disch. Dec. 21,	73
				304

RUTLAND.

Elizabeth Demond,	80,	May 6, 1895,	died Sept. 5,	217
Rosa Roen,	62,	April 26, 1897,	away 1 wk. con.	358
John Kelly,	39,	Nov. 15, 1898,	{ left Apr. 24, {	185
			{ ret Oct. 21, {	
Dennis Turner,	84,	July 27, 1899,	continues,	189
Celina Turner,	67,	July 17, 1899,	continues,	198
				<hr/> 1,156

ROYALSTON.

John Flagg,	80,	May 16, 1899,	ran away Oct. 5,	142
Martin Follen,	36,	May 16, 1899,	left June 24,	39
				<hr/> 181

WESTMINSTER.

Adeline Eager,	59,	April 1, 1892,	continues,	365
Margaret Cronin,	54,	April 1, 1892,	continues,	365
Sarah Blake,	60,	May 23, 1898,	continues,	365
Ephriam Lufkin,	72,	Feb. 23, 1889,	{ left May 5,	} 93
			{ returned May 28,	
			{ left June 19,	} 46
Charles Baker,	25,	Feb. 17, 1899,	left April 4,	
				<hr/> 1,234

Total days board furnished 5,170, or $738\frac{2}{7}$ weeks.

Average weekly number $14\frac{1}{7}$.

The following named persons boarded at the Institution, for which three dollars a week was received:

J. M. Henshaw, of Hubbardston,	$4\frac{3}{7}$ weeks
Abigail Hagget, of Holden,	$33\frac{4}{7}$ weeks
W. H. Smith, of Oakham,	$16\frac{2}{7}$ weeks
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	$54\frac{2}{7}$ weeks

The last two continuing.

Lavina B. Field, of Oakham, remained as a boarder $\frac{2}{7}$ of a week and Eunice Walker of the same town $12\frac{5}{7}$ weeks until her death, May 1, their friends paying the actual pro rata expense.

Total number of inmates 26. One of which died. Eight were discharged. One ran away and 16 remain, one of whom Naham S. Newton a pensioner of the war of the Rebellion remains from choice, Holden receiving remuneration for his support.

RECEIPTS.

Milk,	\$1,166 51	
Stock,	97 99	
Calves,	13 75	
Pork,	9 54	
Eggs,	37 62	
Peas and Beans,	15 01	
Pumpkins and Squashes,	9 53	
Board,	190 00	
Sundry receipts,	16 22	
	<hr/>	\$1,556 17

EXPENDITURES.

Warden and Matron's salary,	\$600 00	
Inside labor,	156 27	
Outside labor,	79 78	
Groceries,	344 51	
Grain,	544 36	
Meat,	134 56	
Fish,	35 32	
Flour,	67 10	
Fertilizer, tools and seeds,	152 29	
Stock,	134 50	
Dry Goods,	84 69	
Boots and Shoes,	24 80	
Furniture,	70 32	
Blacksmithing and harness repairs,	50 25	
Medical attendance and medicine,	43 10	
Bread and Pastry,	16 74	
Insurance,	33 08	
Ice,	7 50	
Miscellaneous,	38 80	
Tobacco and Snuff,	9 52	
40 cords wood cut on farm,	40 00	
Rent,	325 00	
Interest on Personal property,	120 99	
	<hr/>	\$3,113 48
Less receipts,		1,556 17
Balance net expense,		<hr/> \$1,557 31

The cost per week for each inmate, \$2.108.

The net expense to each town is as follows ;

Holden,	\$389 49
Hubbardston,	190 08
Paxton,	111 76
Phillipston,	91 57
Rutland,	348 21
Royalston,	54 53
Westminster,	371 67
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	\$1,557 31

Oakham was fortunate in having no inmates.

The following table gives annual condition since the Association was organized :

	No. Inmates.	Weekly Average.	Total No. Weeks.	Cost Per Week.
1st Year	12	7 7-26	377 5-7	\$2,875
2d "	16	11 7-26	586	2,243
3d "	26	21 25-26	1142	1,959
4th* "	30	22 37-306	967	2,232
5th "	30	18.89	982 2-7	2,545
6th "	36	18 12-13	984	2,30
7th "	30	19 11-13	1032	2,138
8th "	30	19 2.3	1022 6-7	1,829
9th "	27	19 1-5	100	2,000
10th "	26	14 1-5	738 5-7	2,108

The Association closes the first decade of its existence under favorable conditions. The fact that only one of the inmates has died and that \$43.10 covered the cost of medicines and medical attendance speaks well for the health of the Institution. The average weekly number has been materially less than at any time since the second year, when the association contained only the four original towns. This deficiency has been partly made up by the taking of boarders, from which nearly \$200 has been received. A hotel size Magee range has been purchased and fills a long felt need. By vote of the Board of Management taken May 2, the town of Royalston was admitted to the Association, and it might be well to consider further additions. The crops have been exceptionally good, the income exceeding by a few dollars that of any previous year. The

*Ten months.

herd of cows, sixteen in number, is such as any owner would be proud of; it has been increased from eight, which were kept ten years ago and fills the barn to its utmost capacity as there was sufficient hay and forage harvested to have wintered a number more. The question is brought to our attention of whether Holden will build an addition to the barn? or whether the Association will sell hay? The present Warden and Matron have been engaged for another year.

Respectfully submitted by

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President .

JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary.

FRED S. HOLT, Holden, Treasurer.

WARREN CLARK, Hubbardston.

HENRY H. PIKE, Paxton.

D. WEBSTER BAKER, Phillipston.

HENRY A. KENNEN, Rutland.

CALEB W. DAY, Royalston.

Board of Management.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition for Year ending Feb. 15, 1900.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year four hundred and forty-five orders amounting to \$11,229.36, as follows:—

The appropriations of the Town are as follows:

State Tax,	\$ 315 00
County Tax,	646 00
Town Grant,	10,975 00
Overlayings,	92 21
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	\$12,028 21

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer, water loan,	\$23,500 00
State Treasurer, six notes,	6,000 00
Peoples Savings Bank, eleven notes,	19,200 00
City of Salem, building fund loan,	2,000 00
State Treasurer, building fund loan,	17,5000 00
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	\$68,700 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Sinking Fund,	\$3,304 00
Townsend Estate,	24 00
State, for State Aid,	387 50
Welsh fund,	114 44
Water Rent,	372 66
L. M. Hanff, Treas. and Collector,	11,620 09
Unpaid Service Connections,	76 26
C. A. Spooner, school-house,	25 00
H. D. Bray, school-house,	25 00
M. M. Smith, school-house,	10 00
E. F. Browning, guerdian for G. P. B.,	36 00
Value of Water System,	27,000 00
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	\$42,994 95
Showing a balance against the Town of	<hr/>
	\$25,705 05

The Selectmen have also drawn upon the Town Treasurer orders from the Public Building Construction Fund

amounting to	\$12,346 58	
(Amount previously drawn),	8,808 79	
	<u> </u>	\$21,155 37

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$34 00	
T. S. Heald,	34 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	34 00	
W. T. Brown, (1898),	30 00	
	<u> </u>	\$132 00

ASSESSORS.

Paid W. C. Temple,	\$40 00	
George S. Putnam,	33 75	
E. H. Crosby,	35 00	
	<u> </u>	\$108 75

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid H. A. Kennen,	\$52 00	
Henry Converse,	10 00	
Wm. H. Maynard,	5 00	
	<u> </u>	\$67 00

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Louis M. Hanff,	\$44 00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Walter A. Hunter, (1898),	\$32 50	
Walter A. Hunter,	17 25	
Franklin Hathaway, (1898),	49 99	
Sidney Crawford,	37 98	
	<u> </u>	\$137 72

AUDITOR.

Paid E. W. Ward,	\$12 00
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TREASURER.

Paid Louis M. Hanff,	\$150 00
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REGISTRARS.

Paid Louis M. Hanff,	\$8 00	
C. R. Bartlett,	8 00	
T. S. Heald,	8 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	8 00	
W. T. Brown, (1898),	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$36 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid W. T. Brown, (1898),	\$10 00	
C. R. Bartlett,	10 00	
W. A. Wheeler,		
	<hr/>	\$20 00

LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty,	\$78 00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$25 00
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BALLOT CLERKS.

Paid W. A. Russell,	\$2 00	
J. M. Moulton,	4 00	
Dennis A. Smith,	2 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$10 00

TELLER.

Paid W. C. Temple,	\$2 00
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CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Paid George S. Putnam,	\$57 00
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CONSTABLE.

Paid J. M. Moulton,	\$10 00
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SEXTONS.

Paid R. C. Prescott,	\$44 00	
E. Wellington,	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$47 50
Total,		\$937 07

SNOW BILLS.

Paid E. C. Dudley,	\$60 54
Arthur Sanderson,	1 58
John C. O'Leary,	64 00
Frank Forward,	8 54
Geo. H. Strong,	14 33
Geo. M. Davis,	14 66
Wm. H. Hammond,	15 31
E. E. Lawrence,	15 24
C. J. Campbell,	15 32
E. Wellington,	11 16
Wm. C. Temple,	4 32
Wm. J. Welch,	11 16
Arthur Goodwin,	1 12
Wm. A. Russell,	1 50
J. R. Metcalf,	4 92
A. F. Brown,	8 33
H. A. Kennen,	10 56
C. A. Goodwin,	13 75
E. Farnsworth,	9 84
N. Wilson,	5 33
H. J. Davis,	17 33
J. W. Becket,	2 68
Stanley Stone,	5 50
Frank Strong,	10 97
C. Davis,	4 66
A. Cyriske,	6 50
Jos. Rivers,	4 00
Charles Benoit,	5 16
B. F. Strong,	4 50
Lewis Soney,	6 00
Eugene Burk,	6 83
George White,	4 50
G. Hedstrom,	6 83
Walter White,	2 06
Lewis Baker,	23 16
John Locke,	10 16
William Locke,	5 83
C. H. Morse,	14 83

A. A. Smith,	\$ 2 57
Horace E. Smith,	11 60
Jos. Strong,	14 96
W. J. Hunt,	6 00
Geo. Newman,	25 50
W. A. Hunter,	4 64
Robt. D. Hunter,	3 12
W. A. Russell,	10 00
Patrick Delehanty,	31 33
Mathew Delehanty,	16 00
A. S. Charter,	5 33
Jas. White,	14 00
John Thresher,	11 33
A. S. Hathaway,	4 33
Horace W. Davis,	1 83
Chester Charter,	1 12
C. T. Olver,	4 50
F. W. White,	6 83
Geo. White,	3 50
Walter White,	2 00
E. M. Davis,	4 92
V. Norstrom,	13 16
Daniel Nihun,	18 25
Louis F. Forbush,	9 55
W. D. Hatch,	2 50
Wm. H. Prescott,	23 17
S. Prescott,	14 33
J. P. Henderson,	4 91
Della Laton,	3 58
E. W. Bliss,	2 50
A. A. Lovelett,	4 67
N. I. Sargent,	12 67
F. A. Bliss,	8 92
Jos. Shaw,	983
Michael Leary,	27 58
Henry A. Kennen,	4 83
W. M. Demond,	7 33
A. E. Sargent,	23 01
Thos. H. Conner,	9 33

W. H. Maynard,	\$18 00
W. H. Bartlett,	8 92
Orville Hodgekins,	6 83
W. A. Russell,	1 00
Preston Warren,	1 50
F. Hathaway,	2 50
John W. Adams,	7 50
Geo. H. Miles,	13 21
T. S. & A. Heald,	3 83
W. W. Prescott,	7 08
L. H. Stearns,	24 33
F. A. Bliss,	2 58
Earnest W. Bliss,	1 83
R. C. Prescott,	4 98
John P. Henderson,	6 43
Warren G. Wales,	2 00
J. H. Waite,	9 67
W. N. Upham,	3 50
C. H. Upham,	2 51
Wm. Parker,	2 50
Chas. Parker,	1 33
Michael Cullens,	29 50
John J. Welsh	20 41
H. W. Caulkins,	4 50
Dennis O'Herron,	64 33
Wm. T. Brown,	10 67
Daniel Nihin,	4 08
W. H. Hammond,	7 48
Geo. H. Miles,	1 00
Clarence Oliver,	1 00
A. F. Brown,	3 00
Wm. Wilson,	2 00
E. Farnsworth,	3 83
E. H. Crosby,	6 04
Geo. F. Goldthwaite,	7 50
F. W. Hatstat,	3 33
D. A. Smith,	5 07
F. D. Forbush.	11 17
M. D. Potter,	5 85

Lakeside Woolen Co.,	\$110 12
H. E. Wheeler,	7 75
G. Edgar Fay,	2 00
Geo. H. Rice,	32 84
Richard Cody,	4 81
C. A. Spooner,	9 34
Mark A. Putnam,	5 84
Walter A. Wheeler,	23 90
C. A. Peirce,	2 00
Herbert C. Heald,	1 32
Patrick Delehanty,	4 16
H. Jones Davis,	83
B. W. Potter,	5 22
F. H. Mellen,	24 57
C. J. Campbell,	9 83
Geo. F. Handy,	4 52
Geo. H. Willis,	27 83
H. D. Bray,	15 67
James Watterworth,	3 66
G. L. Rich,	10 16
F. S. Hunt,	15 12
Addison Childs,	22 65
John Cronin,	1 33
Ned Conner,	2 00
W. H. Hammond,	21 83
Geo. W. Greene,	7 83
Geo. M. Bigelow,	30 00
Robt. Pleotz,	12 82
Chas. Pleotz,	6 37
Daniel McCarthy,	12 00
Geo. W. Peirce,	8 87
Wm. Parker,	9 83
Hugh Hammond,	13 99
Frank Forward,	18 17
Chas. Parker,	19 42
Geo. Hammond,	7 00
Clarence Hammond,	6 00
Arthur Goodwin,	6 35
O. W. McGann,	7 84
F. A. Aldrich,	10 20
Total,	<hr/> \$1,687 52

WATER DEPARTMENT.

Paid E. E. Lawrence, labor piping,	\$ 1 00
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	9 87
E. E. Lawrence, services as engineer,	302 40
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	74 06
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on coal,	19 75
W. H. Prescott, trenching,	3 15
W. W. Prescott, trenching,	1 50
E. E. Lawrence, Wood,	3 75
American Express Co.,	70
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	10 37
E. E. Lawrence, two cords of wood,	5 00
Washburn & Garfield, fittings,	95
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on coal,	21 00
Geo. S. Dixon, oil,	1 50
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	6 86
Washburn & Garfield, packing,	1 00
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on coal,	19 80
M. D. Potter, drawing coal,	3 00
R. C. Prescott, trenching, public building,	2 70
J. Albert Walker, & Co., coal,	113 54
E. E. Lawrence, two cords of wood,	5 00
E. E. Lawrence, piping,	3 00
G. H. Clark, glass,	50
Ross Brothers, wheelbarrow,	2 00
Wm. Allen & Sons, brick for boiler,	4 00
E. E. Lawrence, piping,	3 40
E. E. Lawrence, trenching,	5 00
Washburn & Garfield, packing,	1 25
Geo. S. Dixon, oil,	1 50
Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe,	38 36
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	1 15
E. E. Lawrence, piping,	1 20
E. E. Lawrence, eight and one-half cords of wood,	34 00
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	16 50
E. E. Lawrence, trenching and piping,	2 00
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	9 00
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	82 88
Geo. S. Dixon, oil,	1 50

Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe,	\$21 90
W. A. Wheeler, wood,	17 14
Albert Trask, repairs on boiler,	3 50
E. E. Lawrence, labor on boiler,	2 50
E. E. Lawrence, wood,	47 50
Henry Converse, oil,	1 14
Michael Loughman, gate to stand pipe, etc.,	6 25
Total,	<u>\$919 07</u>

INCIDENTALS.

Paid C. F. Lawrence, printing,	\$12 00
W. T. Brown, perambulating town lines 1899,	2 00
W. A. Hunter, expenses in securing teachers,	4 60
Town of Leicester, soldier's aid for Mrs M. Peirce,	38 50
Sanford-Sawtelle Co., books,	1 35
Worcester Printing Co., town reports,	45 34
D. M. Parker, lumber,	40
Geo. W. Tyler & Co., machine supplies,	32 25
Dennis O'Herron, horse shed,	20 00
Estate of C. H. Wesson, horse shed,	10 00
Eureka Fire Hose Co., five hundred feet fire hose,	200 00
B. & M. Rail Road, freight,	40
P. B. Murhpy, printing,	2 00
E. S. Knowles, dynamite,	7 55
Freight on school desks,	19 31
Worcester Printing Co., order book,	3 00
Chas. Parker, relaying wall on highway,	4 00
Ivers Johnson Co., Dynamite and fuse,	8 40
E. H. Tripp, printing auction bills,	1 75
Lakeville Woolen Co., repairing tools for highway,	7 60
Sanford-Sawtell Co., printing tax blanks,	1 85
American Ex. Co.,	1 90
D. F. Smith, account Memorial day,	25 00
American Steel & Wire Co., watering tub,	15 75
H. E. Wheeler, moving safe,	4 00
C. D. Judd, express,	1 00
W. J. Welch, labor on water tank,	9 45

Lewis Arnault, inspecting boiler,	\$2 00
E. E. Lawrence, setting water tank,	5 00
H. A. Kennen, cobble gutter,	55 80
B. & M. Rail Road, freight,	4 59
W. A. Wheeler, water supply 1898,	5 00
H. C. Heald, water supply 1898,	5 00
G. W. Hudson, repairs, hose house,	6 00
L. M. Hanff, insurance, town clock,	6 00
W. L. Reed, moving safe,	3 71
G. W. Hudson, moving safe, etc.,	10 50
L. M. Hanff, court expense, Gallivan case,	9 55
H. A. Kennen, Valleys & Hanff, driveways,	30 00
G. M. Steevens, repairing town clock,	1 00
L. M. Hanff, re-gilding town clock, etc.,	22 10
E. H. Tripp, collectors' blanks,	3 75
Patrick Delehanty, horse shed,	35 00
E. H. Crosby, school census,	15 00
Jos. Davis, repairing highway,	9 90
Crocker Art Co., frames,	4 50
E. H. Tripp, printing valuation reports,	24 00
Sanford-Sawtelle Co., stationery,	1 25
Michael Gleason, labor on water tank,	5 55
Woodbury & Co., town seal,	19 00
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	5 01
American Steel and Wire Co., watering tank,	23 10
H. O. Palmer, M. D., recording births,	25
Louis M. Hanff, court expenses,	25 97
H. A. Kennen, guide posts,	3 75
H. A. Kennen, railing highway,	24 93
E. H. Tripp, printing auction bills,	1 75
Thayer & Cobb, legal services, Gallivan case,	15 00
E. E. Lawrence, work on water tank, Pound Hill,	15 75
R. C. Prescott, step-ladder, etc.,	1 63
H. Jones Davis, horse shed,	12 00
E. H. Tripp, printing and stationery,	14 50
Worcester Lunatic Asylum, care Geo. P. Browning,	54 79
Wilson & Holden, lime and cement,	4 25
E. A. Putnam, oil,	6 89
H. E. Wheeler, tacking shade trees,	3 75

W. L. Reed, cover for water tank,	\$ 90
Clark, Sawyer & Co., lamp,	2 25
T. S. Heald, tacking shade trees,	3 60
T. S. Heald, supplies for highways,	1 40
Worcester Insane Hospital, care G. P. Browning,	42 71
E. H. Tripp, printing,	2 00
Thayer & Cobb, attorneys' fees,	43 00
Worcester Printing Co., signs,	1 50
F. S. Hunt, lumber,	9 60
F. S. Hunt, lumber, fire department,	2 56
F. S. Hunt, lumber,	2 91
M. Smith, rails and posts for highway,	5 00
Chas. E. Lauriet, books for library,	22 04
Michael Loughman, repairs,	2 00
American Ex. Co.,	2 30
L. M. Hanff, negotiating loans,	14 00
Louis M. Hanff, administering oath,	3 50
Louis M. Hanff, postage,	3 61
Chas. E. Lauriet Co., books for library,	48 64
J. Albert Walker Co., coal,	109 29
R. C. Prescott, janitor,	60 33
C. R. Bartlett, investigating claims for damages on high'y,	1 00
C. R. Bartlett, collecting water samples monthly,	12 00
C. R. Bartlett, attending hearing highway commissioners,	5 00
C. R. Bartlett, telephone and postage,	1 55
C. R. Bartlett, one day with team with State Aid agent,	4 00
C. R. Bartlett, cash paid for posts at lake,	1 15
C. R. Bartlett, setting posts at lake and posting notices,	2 50
H. E. Wheeler, repairs on highway,	1 50
Carter Ink Co.,	75
Total Incidentals,	<u>\$1,391 51</u>

BRIDGES.

Paid H. A. Kennen, labor,	\$10 50
W. H. Sawyer, bridge plank,	<u>37 40</u>
	\$47 90

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town officers,	\$ 937 07
Schools,	3,481 31
Snow,	1,687 52
State aid,	387 50
Overseer's orders,	763 27
Highways,	1,614 00
Bridges,	47 90
Water department,	919 07
Incidentals,	1,391 72
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	\$11,229 36

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

William. W. Prescott,	George F. Goldthwaite,
John J. Welch,	T. Sibley Heald,
Edward P. Preston,	J. Warren Moulton,
L. Q. Spaulding,	Charles H. Upham,
Dennis A. Smith,	Charles A. Spooner,
Herman D. Bray,	H. Edward Wheeler,
Henry B. Davis,	Mark A. Putnam,
	Newton I. Sargent.

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED.

- One near S. B. Bray's.
- One near E. C. Dudley's.
- One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads.
- One at West Rutland, near Post Office.
- One near Charles Pierce's.
- Two near Patrick Delehanty's.
- Two near Henry Kennen's.
- One near Miles Holden's.
- One near Gen. Putnam Memorial.
- One near Muschopauge House.
- One near Center Post Office.

One on Pound Hill.
 One near Daniel Nihin's.
 One near Walter Bartlett's.
 One near M. Myron Smith's.
 One near J. H. Waite's.
 One near W. J. D'Ewart's.
 One near Greenleaf corner.
 One near Benjamin Allen place.
 One near Addison Childs.
 One at New Boston corner.
 One near W. J. Brodmerkle's.
 One near Levi S. Stearns.
 One near Sargent's corner.
 One near Upham's corner.
 One near D. R. Wheeler's.
 One near No. 1 School House.

The selectmen would recommend the following appropriations for the coming year :

The State and County Tax,	
Schools,	\$1,800 00
Transportation,	700 00
Highways and Bridges,	1,600 00
For Cutting Brush,	100 00
For Support of Poor,	800 00
For contingent and paying debts,	4,500 00

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. S. HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	

of
Rutland.

Rutland, February 15, 1900.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

For me to use the title of Highway Surveyor might seem to be a misnomer. An office without duties to perform and without compensation may seem to require some explanation. That there should not be compensation without service is quite plain, but that there should be no duties to so important an office as Highway Surveyor, is not quite so clear. As I have been in receipt of numerous inquiries the past year in regard to it. I will offer a brief statement. The law, as at present, provides that towns (by taking some preliminary steps), may choose, at their annual meeting, by ballot, a Highway Surveyor. Failing to do this, it is incumbent upon the Selectmen to appoint some one person to that office. Now as you have, by your votes, repeatedly expressed a wish to have the Town divided into two districts, and as those who have had charge of these divisions in the past do not care to assume responsibility for only such territory as they supervise, it was deemed advisable by the Selectmen to appoint one of their number to the office of Surveyor. This being accomplished, the roads were divided, and Henry A. Kennen and Arthur F. Brown were selected as Deputy Surveyors, and assured of all the powers belonging to the office of Surveyor. An assignment of roads was made to each, and the appropriation divided equally. Time sheets were issued to them for showing the work done, the dates, the time by the hour and the price per hour, which was the same as voted at your meeting. These sheets were returned monthly, examined and approved by the Auditor, and for amount found due, orders were given by the Selectmen for their payment.

The following is the monthly statement from each Surveyor, showing the amount expended:—

H. A. KENNEN,

April,	\$146 60
May,	317 95
June,	94 35
July,	67 50
August,	59 85
September,	147 75
October,	19 10
November,	8 25

 \$860 75

A. F. BROWN.

April,	\$135 50
May,	283 50
June,	93 60
July,	6 00
August,	103 20
September,	104 50
October,	23 70
November,	3 30

 \$753 35

Total,

 \$1,614 10

Appropriation, \$1,200 00.

The amount of Expenditure in excess of the appropriation was not made by the Surveyors, but directed by the selectmen. On this subject as a member of that Board I would like to state my position and I think it is shared with the other members of the board, that if this large excess were demanded at any one time to repair damages by some great storm, then certainly it would be wise to call the citizens together and let them provide for the emergency, but most of this expense is incurred at different times and in many instances, the roads must be repaired before a meeting could be called. This excess of expenditures over appropriations is not confined to the past year alone, but extends back for a number of years. I am quite confident that this is owing to the small appropriation you have made in the past. An average of yearly expenditure for the past decade shows a sum exceeding \$1,600.00. In view of this fact, can it be expected that the Surveyor can properly care for the roads, with twelve hundred? This too, at a time when State and County officials are growing more exacting as to the manner in which they shall be kept; also when courts are ruling, in suits against municipalities for defective highways, "that negligence on

the part of the Town, commences from the time that they leave their highways without drainage,—inviting every summer shower to make pitfalls for the traveller to fall therein.” In my opinion there should be appropriated for the present year a sum not less than fourteen hundred dollars for general repairs of the road, and an additional sum of two hundred dollars, to be expended on the following roads and streets,—commencing at the post-office and leading to the railroad station, and from the post-office through Main street to Pound Hill, also on the Paxton road as far as residence of R. C. Prescott. This expenditure would be wholly for material from some locality to be hauled and left upon the roads in places most in need. It might be of advantage to the Town to have the surveyor cause it to be drawn by the load or measurement, during the month of March, if practicable and leave it in condition for the Surveyor to utilize later with the road machinery.

Much of the way on these routes, dirt cannot be taken without altering the grades of the road to their detriment, also rendering the Town liable for damages to the abutters. If the Town in company with the owners of residences on the road leading to Pound Hill would continue the stone water-way which was placed there many years ago, it would prove a profitable investment;—that something of this kind should be built by the “Creamery Property” so called, is absolutely demanded, as the volume of water at that point is so great as to cause damage at every storm.

Any citizen passing over the the streets above mentioned will quickly see that their condition is not creditable to the Town, and that the appropriation would be small in comparison to their needs.

The past year there has been quite a strong expression for weekly payments for labor done on highways, and the Surveyor many times has not been able to secure desirable help on this account. I can see no loss or any great inconvenience to the Town by adopting this system which is fast coming into general use.

In granting these increased appropriations, I believe will prove good economy and lead to reduction of expenses, and that the old formula will be verified, “That an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,” or in other words, one dollar laid out on the roads at the right time, in the right place, will save two or three later.

T. SIBLEY HEALD, *Surveyor*.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

BIRTHS.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1899:

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE.
Ella Catherine.	Patrick and Maggie (Murphy) Scott,	Jan'y 20
Gladys Somers,	Joseph M. and Louise (Somers) Moulton.	April 1
Timothy Francis,	Timothy and Mary (Riley) Gallivan.	April 3
Albina Beatris,	Angello and Rosaline (Costa) Celle.	April 5
Clarence Leslie,	Archille and Victoire (Broussard) LaCount.	April 10
Marguerite Rachel,	John P. and Anna B. (McKay) Henderson.	April 21
Charles.	Thomas F. P. and Rose (McGinnety) Bates.	April 27
Gwendolyn Maude,	George M. and Maude K. C. (Lucas) Bigelow.	May 24
Francis Edgar.	Joseph E. and Jennie (Kennen) Ware.	June 20
James William,	Anthony and Frances (Fitzpatrick) Czezwske.	July 3
	Female Child.	July 8
Harriet Adalaide,	Charles E. and Jessie (Healy) Moorehouse.	Sept. 1
Mildred Charlotta.	Gustaf and Charlotta (Wellington) Hedstrom.	Oct. 3
Lewis Raymond,	Lewis R. and Elsie (Peabody) Bigelow.	Oct. 7
Margaret,	John J. and Margaret (Donnally) Welsh.	Oct. 10
Marguerite,	Henry and Marguerite (Harrington) McQuilliam,	Oct. 24
George Russell,	George H. and Katie (Shea) Willis.	Nov. 8
Joseph Francis,	Michael H. and Mary (Dooley) Scott,	Dec. 11
Rufus Dodge,	Clinton W. and Lucy (Dodge) Putnam.	Dec. 17

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
January 30,	Maurice Lyons, Alexandrie Lovely,	Worcester, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
February 6,	Willie James Hunter, Estella Annette Browning,	Rutland, Mass. Lincoln, Mass.
April 20,	Sidney C. Waite, Carrie May Aldrich,	Hubbardston, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
June 24,	Charles M. Teague, Clara I. Beckett,	Warren, Me. Rutland, Mass.
June 26,	William Horatio Aldrich, Mary Agnes R. McGann,	Worcester, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
September 20,	Alvin B. Fisher, Harriett E. (Walker) Foskett,	Rutland, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
November 15,	Odiarne J. W. Gleason, Florence Maybell Wade,	Worcester, Mass. Worcester, Mass.
November 30,	William Franklin Reid, Nellie Alberta Dimond,	Rutland, Mass. Grafton, Mass.
December 25,	Allen Love Stevenson, Elsie Hope Davis,	Worcester, Mass. Worcester, Mass.

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DEATHS.

DATE.	NAME.	Y.	M.	D.	RESIDENCE.
January 1,	Bertha L. Stearns,	20	2	2	Rutland.
January 15,	Merrill Chickering,	77	10		Rutland.
January 17,	Joseph M. Valley,	57	8	4	Rutland.
January 25,	Emilee P. R. Ploetz,	1	6	2	Rutland.
January 30,	Ada M. Heald,	53	7	13	Rutland.
February 27,	Fernando C. Bigelow,	69	4	8	Rutland.
April 4,	Clara A. Oliver,	58	5	17	Rutland.
April 14,	Minnie J. Murphy,	30	6		Rutland.
May 8,	Daniel R. Wheeler,	80	10		Rutland.
May 15,	Eunice A. Ware,	46	1	9	Rutland.
June 5,	Catherine R. Brooks,	84	5		Rutland.
June 18,	Adalaide C. Rowell,	55			Watertown.
June 20,	Mary Roxanna Kendrick,	73	8	6	North Brookfield.
July 5,	Edward Mellen,	64	3	3	Rutland.
July 15,	George Calhoun,	79			Rutland.
July 16,	William S. Barton,	74	9		Worcester.
July 22,	Agnes S. Muller,	55			Arlington.
August 5,	Eliza Allen,	88	5	25	Rutland.
August 10,	John Markie,	15	2		Holyoke.
August 28,	Austin Thomas Curtis,		9		Rutland.
September 5,	Hannah E. Demond,	82		8	Rutland.
September 7,	John Koppman,	27	7	12	Somerville.
September 11,	Bertha M. Wales,	76	11	15	Rutland.
September 21,	Honora O'Leary,	70			Rutland.
September 26,	Fred M. Adams,	4	8	23	Rutland.
October 17,	Sarah E. Demond,	69	6	22	Rutland.
October 21,	Marguerite Mc Quilliam,			3	Rutland.
November 27,	Minnie A. Johnson,	25	2	23	Dorchester.

Number of Dogs licensed during 1899,

75 Males @ \$2 00, \$150 00

5 Females @ 5 00, 25 00

Less 80 Fees @ \$.20, \$16 00

\$159 00

On hand February 15, 1899, 31 80

Paid County Treasurer, \$190 20

Licensed since December 1, 1899, 2 Males, \$4 00

Cash on hand, 4 00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, *Town Clerk.*

Rutland, February 15, 1900.

REPORT OF THE

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Louis M. Hanff, Collector and Treasurer, in account with the
Town of Rutland.

1899.

Dr.

March 11,	By balance on hand,	\$9,327 04
March 15,	By Loan,	2,000 00
May 5,	By Loan,	2,000 00
May 15,	By Loan,	1,000 00
June 1,	Received from Wm. L. Clark's bequest,	277 50
June 1,	Received from State Treasurer, education of State children,	30 00
June 2,	Received from Loan,	1,500 00
June 7,	Received from Loan,	1,000 00
June 15,	Received from Jas. Allen, for old hall,	12 50
June 15,	Received from W. W. Prescott, for horse shed,	1 00
June 15,	Received from H. E. Wheeler, for No. 9 school-house,	1 00
June 24,	Received from Loan,	1,200 00
June 24,	Received from State Treasurer, education of State children,	87 50
July 1,	Received from H. W. Calkins, for old stove,	1 75
July 1,	Received from Loan,	500 00
July 15,	Received from Loan,	1,500 00
July 15,	Received from Geo. W. Glazier, for Center school house,	33 00

July	19,	Received from Danl. Nihin, for Pound Hill school house,	\$ 37 00
Aug.	1,	Received by Loan.	2,000 00
Aug.	4,	Received by Loan,	800 00
Aug.	23,	Received from Town of Oakham, Tuition,	65 50
Aug.	25,	Received from W. J. Hunt, for old horse sheds,	1 00
Aug.	25,	Received from State Hospital Water Rent,	500 00
Sept.	2,	Received from Two Butchers' Licenses,	2 00
Nov.	4,	Received of John E. O'Leary, note and interest,	423 50
Nov.	6,	Received by Loan,	2,000 00
Nov.	14,	Received by Loan,	2,000 00
Dec.	2,	Received by Loan,	1,500 00
Dec.	9,	Received of State Treasurer State Aid,	318 00
Dec.	9,	Received of State Treasurer Bank and Corporation tax,	30 46
Dec.	23,	Received By Loan,	1,200 00
Dec.	23,	Received for Hammond school house,	60 00
Dec.	23,	Received of County Treasurer, Dog fund,	171 53
1900.			
Jan.	1,	Received of W. Rutland S. School, for wood,	2 50
Jan.	1,	Received of E. F. Browning, Guardian,	54 79
Jan.	25,	Received of State Treas., Income School fund,	355 52
Feb.	5,	Received by Loan,	1,500 00
Feb.	15,	Received of Rutland Hospital Water Rent,	500 00
Feb.	15,	Received from 1899 Tax bills,	12,032 27
Feb.	15,	Received from Interest on Taxes,	204 38
Feb.	15,	Received of W. C. Temple, Treas. Dedication Com.,	100 00
Feb.	15,	Received of R. C. Prescott, collected for use of Town Hall,	79 00
Feb.	15,	Received from Town of Warren,	85 00
Feb.	15,	Received from City of Lowell,	35 96
Feb.	15,	Received of E. F. Browning, Guardian,	6 71
Feb.	15,	Received for Water Rents,	242 05
Feb.	15,	Received for Service Connections,	78 34
Total,			<u>\$46,802 80</u>

1899.

Cr.

March	15,	Paid to State Treas. note and interest,	\$1,140 00
March	15,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank interest,	30 00
April	2,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank interest,	100 00
May	2,	Paid to State Treas., Interest on B'd'g Loan,	262 50
May	15,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,510 00
June	2,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,020 00
June	3,	Paid to Trustee of Meade Fund, note and interest,	549 00
June	3,	Paid to Building Fund, School furnishings,	650 00
June	15,	Paid to Building Fund, note and interest,	1,010 00
June	27,	Paid to Salem Water Loan, Sinking Fund, interest,	35 00
July	15,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,530 00
July	31,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
July	1,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
July	3,	Paid to State Treas., note and interest, Water Loan,	950 00
July	4,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	816 00
Sept.	15,	Paid to State Treas., interest,	120 00
Oct.	2,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
Oct.	3,	Paid to County Treas., one-half County Tax,	323 00
Nov.	7,	Paid to State Treas., Building Fund, note and interest,	762 50
Nov.	7,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,037 50
Nov.	7,	Paid to Building Fund, W. L. Clark's bequest,	277 50
Nov.	15,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,018 75
Nov.	16,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,050 00
Dec.	2,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	28 13
Dec.	4,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,528 13
Dec.	9,	Paid to State Treas., State Tax,	315 00
Dec.	9,	Paid to County Treas., balance County Tax,	323 00

Dec.	9,	Paid to Salem Water Loan, Sinking fund, interest,	\$ 35 00
Dec.	24,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	1 222 50
1900.			
Jan.	1, 6,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	28 13
Feb.	1,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
Feb.	4,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, interest,	37 50
Feb.	5,	Paid to State Treas., interest on Water Loan,	\$440 62
Feb.	5,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	815 00
Feb.	15,	Deposit, Worcester County Institution for Savings,	500 00
Feb.	15,	Paid to Assessors' abatements,	148 98
Feb.	15,	Uncollected 1896 Tax bills,	68 23
Feb.	15,	Uncollected 1897 Tax bills,	891 80
Feb.	15,	Uncollected 1898 Tax bills,	3,005 29
Feb.	15,	Uncollected 1899 Tax bills,	7,663 50
Feb.	15,	Paid Interest on Building Fund,	159 61
Feb.	15,	Paid to 445 Selectmens' orders,	11,229 36
Feb.	15,	Cash on hand to Balance,	41 27
Total,			<u>\$46,802 80</u>

BUILDING FUND.

1899.		Dr	
March	11,	To Cash in Bank,	\$5,290 66
June	1,	To Cash on note and interest from gen'l fund,	1,010 00
June	1,	To Cash, appropriation for school furnishings,	650 00
July	1,	To Cash from Trustees of Meade fund,	1,286 58
July	1,	To Cash, insurance for damage by lightning,	125 00
July	1,	To Cash, interest on deposit, March, April, May,	14 05
Aug.	16,	To Cash from State Treasurer, on notes,	3,000 00
Aug.	16,	To Cash, subscription, Ellis Peterson,	100 00
Nov.	7,	To Cash, Wm. L. Clark's bequest,	277 50
Dec.	1,	To Cash from H. E. Wheeler for white lead, etc.,	6 00
1900.			
Jan.	1,	To Cash, interest from June to January,	10 14
Jan.	23,	To Cash, Dr. W. E. Chamberlin, Treasurer Town Hall Committee,	412 30
Jan.	23,	To Cash, Chas. Richardson, returned cans,	4 74
Feb.	15,	Received from General Fund, to balance,	159 61
			<u>\$12,346 58</u>
1900.		Cr.	
Feb.	15,	By payment of 137 Selectmen's orders,	\$12,346 58

WATER WORKS CONSTRUCTION FUND.

1899.	Dr.		
March 11,	To balance on hand,	\$ 389 96	
June 15,	Received from State Treasurer,	<u>1,000 00</u>	
			\$1,389 96

1899.	Cr.		
May 6,	Paid L. A. Taylor, balance due,	\$ 106 24	
June 1,	Paid E. E. Lawrence,	11 20	
June 1,	Paid John Glennon,	18 75	
June 15,	Paid Walworth Manufacturing Co.,	23 48	
June 15,	Paid Cunningham Iron Co.,	<u>1,161 67</u>	
			\$1,321 34

1900.			
Feb. 15,	Balance on hand,	<u>\$ 68 62</u>	
			\$1,389 96

ACCOUNT OF SINKING FUND,

ON DEPOSIT FEBRUARY 15, 1900.

Feb., 1899,	Peoples Savings Bank, balance,	\$1,055 95	
	dividend,	<u>39 54</u>	
Total,			\$1,095 49

Jan., 1899,	Five Cents Savings Bank, balance,	\$1,147 57	
	dividend,	<u>45 89</u>	
Total,			\$1,193 46

Feb., 1899,	Wor. Co. Inst'n for Savings, bal.,	\$500 00	
	div.,	15 05	
	dep.,	<u>500 00</u>	
Total,			\$1,015 05
			<u>\$3,304 00</u>

TRUST FUNDS IN HANDS OF TOWN TREASURER.

HELEN H. WELCH BEQUEST,

Feb., 1899, Balance in Peoples Savings Bank,	\$110 32	
Dividend,	4 12	
Total,	<hr/>	\$114 44

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

Feb., 1899, Bal. in Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$101 17	
Dividend,	4 06	
Total,	<hr/>	\$105 23
Paid Treasurer of Cemetery,		5 23
Balance on hand,		<hr/> \$100 00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Collector and Treasurer.

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1900.

REPORT OF THE

Trustees of the Free Public Library.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$ 54 48	
Appropriation,	133 90	
Received from non-residents, for use of Library, and from fines and sales of catalogues,	20 85	
		\$209 23

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty, Librarian,	\$78 00	
Paid for new books,	70 68	
Paid for moving Library,	2 50	
Paid for express and incidentals,	1 75	
		\$152 93
Balance,		\$56 30

Of this balance, \$30.02 is due from the Town on unexpended appropriations and \$26.28 is in the hands of the Trustees.

The whole number of books taken from the Library during the year was 2,990.

Since going into the new rooms the largest circulation for any one day has been 61, the smallest 14.

80 new volumes have been added to the Library this year by purchase, and the following persons have contributed books ;

B. W. Potter,	1
Mrs. Chas. Upham,	2
Rev. S. Crawford,	2
Mrs. R. P. Barry,	2
Mrs. Chester,	24

Respectfully Submitted,

W. C. TEMPLE,
MRS. SARAH MUNROE,
MRS. H. R. SPAULDING, } Trustees
of
Library.

WATER DEPARTMENT.

The following is a statement of expenditures on account of construction to February 15, 1900:—

By unexpended balance February 15, 1899,	\$389 96
Paid L. A. Taylor, balance due of contract for laying main on Paxton road,	\$106 24
Paid Cuunningham Iron Co.,	161 67
Paid E. E. Lawrence, labor piping and trenching,	11 20
Paid John Glennon, trenching,	18 75
Paid Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe and fittings,	23 48
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	\$321 34
February 15, 1900, Balance unexpended,	<hr/> \$68 62

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. BROWN,

Secretary.

REPORT OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT WATER DEPT.

In reviewing the condition of the Water Department for the past year, perhaps it would be proper to speak first of the extension commenced late last year, and which was completed by Mr. Taylor early in the Spring, so that service connections were made with several houses in May, and others later on in the season. There have been more connections made with consumers, with an annual income of \$82.00 per year from water rent, amounting to a little more than five per cent. on the entire cost of construction, besides giving good fire protection from the three hydrants on the new line. Two new houses have been erected during the past season undoubtedly because of this extension. Two small leaks were discovered in the main, which Mr. Taylor repaired without charge to the Town. With this exception the entire water system had worked very satisfactorily, furnishing at all times an abundant supply of water for domestic use and fire purposes. During the severe drought last season the surface of the lake was only fourteen inches below high water mark at any time.

Samples of the water taken from the surface and bottom of the lake were collected each month during the year, sent to the State Board of Health for analysis, which sustained the favorable report of previous years.

To maintain the purity of the water your Water Commissioners have placed two posts on the lake shore, one about five hundred feet north and the other about the same distance south of the pumping station, together with another bound four hundred feet east of the said pumping station. This bound is marked by a post set in the ice in winter, and to be designated by a bouy in the summer.

These markers bear the following notice "This bound marks an angle of a triangular water enclosure including the pumping station on the land side, from which boating, fishing, skating or trespassing in any manner is forbidden. Per order of Water Commissioners, Rutland, Mass."

Notices have also been posted on the shore of the lake which reads as follows: "This pond is used for domestic and town water supply, and all parties are prohibited from polluting the same, or the ice thereon, under penalty of the law."

The cost of maintaining the pumping plant the past year has been considerable more than for either of the previous years, partly on account of the high cost of coal, but more on account of the increased amount of water consumed. The difference is shown by the number of gallons pumped in 1898 being 6,809,316 gallons, and in 1899 16,626,298 gallons, more than double the amount. If the Town will vote a small appropriation to build a coal shed—say \$100—it would enable us to purchase our coal at a favorable time and would save considerable in the cost of fuel. I venture to say that it would have saved the Town more than the sum necessary for building a suitable shed.

The value of the hydrant service for fire protection is a great feature of the water system. The fifteen hydrants covers more than \$100,000 in assessed value of our public buildings, and it is but due to the Water Department that a sum be appropriated by the Town in order that we can make a fair showing of what we are getting from the Water System.

In closing, I would again urge upon the Town the importance of extending the Water System wherever a reasonable income is assured.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND.

SUPPLIES.

240 feet 2 inch galvanized iron pipe.
 20 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ inch galvanized iron pipe.
 4 faucets,
 1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch corporation cock.
 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks.
 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch stop and waste cocks.
 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions.
 1 2-inch Y.
 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Ells.
 4 reducers varying from $\frac{3}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch.
 3 service boxes.
 Approximate value \$75.00.

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3 00
3 hammers,	2 50
1 spade,	75
1 grub axe,	1 00
3 drills,	1 75
4 lanterns,	2 00
1 broom,	50

 \$11 50

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2-inch die plate,	\$6 00
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 80
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 50
2 W. I. wrenches for sidewalk shut off,	3 83
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 26
1 1-inch tap,	94
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ inch and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch,	4 00
1 2-inch drill for ratchet,	90
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drill,	1 20
1 1-inch drill,	53
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamer,	2 26
1 1-inch reamer,	94
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,	63
1 2-inch Stanwood cutter,	98
1 expander,	5 00
1 gate wrench,	2 50
1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate with $2\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	4 12
1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,	3 40
1 Stillson wrench, 18 inch,	1 60
1 Stillson wrench, 24 inch,	2 40
2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1 20
1 Coes' block wrench, 15 inch,	1 00
1 Wall vice,	8 10
1 Wall hinge vice,	3 00
2 Packer's sleeve ratchets,	4 05
1 iron crow,	9 60
1 2-inch Walworth cutter,	1 46

 \$76 20

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Cr.

Paid Interest on water loan,	\$ 960 62
E. E. Lawrence, engineer,	302 40
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	270 48
E. E. Lawrence, wood,	100 25
W. A. Wheeler, wood,	17 14
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on coal,	77 05
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	36 10
M. D. Potter, drawing coal,	3 00
W. Allen & Sons, brick for boiler,	4 00
Albert Trask, repairs on boiler,	3 50
E. E. Lawrence, labor on boiler,	2 50
Geo. S. Dixon, oil,	3 00
Washburn & Garfield, packing,	3 20
H. Converse, oil,	1 14
Geo. H. Clark, glass,	50
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	\$1,784 88

Dr.

Received from State Hospital, twelve months water rent,	\$1,000 00
Received and due from water rent for year end- ing January 1, 1900,	443 06
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	\$1,443 06
Leaving a balance against the Water Department of	<hr/>
	\$341 82

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1900.

*Superintendent.***AUDITOR'S REPORT.**

Rutland, Mass., February 15, 1900.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY That I have examined the accounts of the Town as kept by the Selectmen, Treasurer, Collector, Overseers of the Poor and Water Department, and find them correct.

E. W. WARD, *Auditor.*

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending Feb. 15, 1900.

FELLOW CITIZENS:—

We herewith submit our annual report of the Public Schools.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, May 1, 1899,	180
Number between eight and fourteen,	112
Whole number of pupils registered in the Schools,	250
Total membership,	236
Average membership,	220 $\frac{56}{100}$
Average attendance,	201 $\frac{25}{100}$
Per cent. of average attendance,	91 $\frac{1}{3}$ +

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Appropriations of 1899:

For support of Schools,	\$2,000 00
For conveyance of pupils,	800 00
Received from the State School Fund,	355 52
Received from Oakham High School, tuition,	65 00
Received from the State, for tuition of boys,	117 50
Total,	<u>\$3,338 02</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Teacher's salaries,	\$2,196 00	
Books and supplies,	274 01	
Janitors,	174 52	
Fuel,	254 85	
Conveying pupils,	564 00	
Total,	<u>\$3,463 38</u>	
Overdrawn,	125 36	
		\$3,338 02

CONTINGENT

Repairs and furnishings,	\$17 93
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BILLS APPROVED.

TEACHER'S SALARIES.

Arthur A. Heald,	\$416 00	
Arthur A. Heald, balance due for last year,	10 00	
Lillian Harrington,	88 00	
Grace J. Alexander,	320 00	
Annabel S. Atherton,	320 00	
Helen H. Jaques,	320 00	
Lizzie B. Morrison,	88 00	
Grace W. Heartz,	88 00	
J. B. Haskell,	210 00	
Mildred Vose,	147 00	
Jennie Burnham,	189 00	
Total,	<u></u>	\$2,196 00

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

Stephen P. Allen,	\$128 00	
Dellen Laton,	50 00	
Alexander Lovely, for last year,	15 00	
Alexander Lovely,	16 50	
Miss Lola Brown,	6 00	
Charles A. Spooner,	55 00	
Charles A. Stone,	116 00	
M. D. Potter,	6 00	
A. O. Chickering,	12 00	
F. W. Reid,	132 00	
W. A. Hunter,	27 00	
H. Jones Davis,	50	
Total,	<u></u>	\$564 00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Edw. E. Babb & Co.,	\$265 31	
Sidney Crawford,	63	
F. Hathaway, express on supplies,	8 07	
Total,		\$274 01

REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS.

H. Jones Davis,	\$0 90	
Louis M. Hanff,	50	
C. D. Judd,	1 40	
Charles Hamilton,	6 00	
George S. Putnam,	6 93	
Henry Converse,	2 20	
Total,		\$17 93

JANITORS.

George M. Davis,	5 75	
H. Jones Davis,	10 90	
Edgar Fay,	2 80	
Reno Kennen,	5 00	
Daniel McCarty,	4 50	
Fred Rivers,	2 75	
Frank Rivers,	2 75	
Arthur H. Goodwin,	4 05	
J. P. Nourse,	2 75	
Mattie Jewell,	2 75	
A. K. Goodwin,	3 00	
Miss Vose,	3 85	
Mrs. Edwin W. Davis,	3 00	
Roland C. Prescott, in new building,	120 67	
Total,		\$174 52

FUEL.

H. Jones Davis,	\$0 65	
E. J. Prouty,	3 90	
Joseph E. Ware,	2 50	
Edson J. Hunt,	60	
Charles A. Spooner,	2 50	
F. S. Hunt,	8 00	
Daniel Nihin,	8 12	
Joseph Davis,	10 00	
Coal for new building,	218 58	
Total,		\$254 85

Statistics for the full Year, ending February 9, 1900.

TEACHERS	SCHOOL	Enrollment	Membership	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	No. bet. 7 and 14	Whole No. bet. 15 and 19	Number over 19	Number under 19	Average Wages Per Month
Helen H. Jaques,	First Primary Centre	52	49.	46.	40.2	86.2 ⁺	58	54	1	0	\$40 00
	Second Primary Centre	37	35.1	34.4	31.32	90.12	37	37	1	0	40 00
	Intermediate Centre	36	34.2	33.28	30.	90.	43	43	0	0	40 00
	West	25	23.	22.	19.	86.†	30	33	0	0	30 00
Lillian G. Harrington, ^{One Term.}	North	34	33.	29.	25.3	87.†	36	41	0	0	35 00
	South	29	27.	26.	23.	88.	27	29	0	0	52 00
Arthur A. Heald, Principal,	High	37	35.	34.24	32.73	95.	25	25	0	0	40 00
Annabel S. Atherton, Ass't,											

Average Percentage of Attendance for all the Schools, 89.†.

Average Wages of all Teachers, except the High School, per Month, \$37.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

Section 16 of Chapter 496 of the Acts of 1898 Reads as follows :

“The School committee of all towns and cities shall annually ascertain and record the names, ages and such other information as may be designated by the State Board of Education of all persons between five and fifteen years of age, and of all minors over fourteen years of age who cannot read at sight and write legibly simple sentences in the English language, residing in their respective towns and cities on the first day of September, and such record shall be completed on or before the first day of October. The first census under the provisions of this Section shall be taken in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine. Whoever has under his control a minor over five years of age and withholds information in his possession sought by a School Committee or its agents relating to the items required to be ascertained by this Section, or falsifies in regard to the same, shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars.”

Section 13 of the Chapter reads in part as follows : “The Secretary of the State Board of Education shall send forms for the census, to the Secretary of the School Committee of each town and city.”

In conformity with these Statutes your Committee after receiving the forms and necessary information in regard to same from the Secretary of the Board of Education, appointed Edwin H. Crosby enumerator, who faithfully performed the duties by an house to house canvass, resulting in the following enumeration :

1. Number of boys between the ages of five and fifteen,	124	
Number of girls between the ages of five and fifteen,	98	
Total,	<hr/>	222
2. Number of boys between the ages of seven and fourteen,	91	
Number of girls between the ages of seven and fourteen,	73	
Total,	<hr/>	164

3. Number of male illiterate minors over fourteen years of age,	1
Number of female illiterate minors over four. teen years of age,	0
Total,	<u>1</u>

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SUPERINTENDENTS FOR SCHOOLS.

The town has already voted to employ a Superintendent whenever we can be joined with other towns in forming a district that will contain the sufficient number of Schools designated in the Statute. Since the action of the town nothing has been done and no effort has been made to induce other towns to join us, so today we are losing the benefits enjoyed by a large proportion of the towns of the State. Naturally the question is asked, How much will it cost the Town to employ a Superintendent?

The extra cost to this Town would not exceed the sum of one hundred and seventy-five (\$175.) dollars yearly, with the probability that a part of this would be saved by a decrease in the cost of the services of the School Committee.

Will the Town take any further action in the matter and by vote authorize their School Committee to arrange an union in accordance with the provisions of the act in reference thereto, or vote to unite with certain designated towns to employ a Superintendent.

In connection with this subject we learn from a carefully prepared table by the Secretary of the State Board of Education facts which may be of interest to the town, as follows:

Total number of towns and cities in the State,	353
Number of towns and cities employing Superintendents,	270
Number of towns that do not employ Superintendents,	83
The per cent. of towns not employing Superintendents,	23.5
Whole number of Schools in the State,	9,469
The per cent. of Schools employing Superintendents	93.5
Whole number of Children in the Schools,	451,543
Per cent. of the Children benefitted,	95.6

These figures indicate to us that a large per cent. of the towns and cities favor the State plan of supervision of the Schools, and we hope in the near future our Town will be included in the number.

OUR NEW BUILDING,

AND NEW RESPONSIBILITIES CONNECTED THEREWITH.

We are becoming somewhat familiar with our new accommodations, and are pleased to say that our expectations have been fully realized, having for our use accommodations full equal to any in this vicinity or we might say equal to any in the State. So far as we know there has been no dissatisfaction in regard to the accommodations, or the methods of conducting the Schools occupying the new rooms, except perhaps in one particular:

Before we opened the new rooms for occupancy it was decided not to have them used for play or lunch rooms, thus obliging the pupils to use the corridors and basement for these purposes.

We find that a large proportion of the pupils are obliged to take their dinners with them, and the conveniences outside of the School rooms during the noon hour, in one respect, are not quite suitable. This lack of convenience is only on account of not having seats provided to be used while eating dinner. This is an important matter, as it pertains to the physical wants of our children, their good breeding and behavior. Your Committee will have this subject under consideration and think in one of two ways the difficulty can be overcome.

It is a difficult thing to arrange everything to ones own liking, and we are not so egotistical as to think that we can manage all matters connected with the Schools in such a way as to please everybody. So we expect more or less criticising, and this criticism will do no harm, and it may do good, provided that your dislikes are presented to headquarters direct, and not talked over in presence of the children attending the Schools, and are unknown to them in all cases. We solicit your co-operation and advice in regard to the important duties devolving upon the management of our Schools, and hope that we may work together and strive to adopt the methods that will result in the greatest good to the greatest number.

 PROMOTIONS.

It is not expected that all children of the same age are equally capable or have the ability to get through all the grades of the school at the same time, therefore it is not reasonable to expect that

all the Scholars in one grade to-day ought to be promoted into another grade at the same time, it would be manifest injustice to the capable boy or girl in a class, that had the ability to do the work required if promoted, to compel them to wait until all in the class were qualified to be promoted; and so on the other hand it would be as unjust to compel or allow the others to undertake work that would be impossible for them to perform. So we say promotion should be based upon merit and ability to perform harder work. It would be folly to presume that children could study algebra to any advantage, if they could not perform simple examples in arithmetic.

This forcing or stuffing process in our School is all wrong, resulting in many cases to the manifest injury to the full development of the child. Children should be trained to think for themselves, to do things unaided and alone in order to become strong, both mentally and physically.

HIGH SCHOOL.

This School has been conducted in a satisfactory manner and the pupils have made commendable progress, the teachers doing all that could be reasonably required. The four years' course has proved beneficial in many ways. But we are convinced that the standard for promotion from the regular grades should be higher than at present, permitting no one to enter until they are more thorough in primary English branches; then have some of the studies changed, for the purpose of giving the students a better opportunity of fitting themselves for college, and the favored positions that are constantly being presented to the young man or woman.

A few added weeks to the terms of this School would be of great advantage to bring about the desired results. The ability of the town and its appropriations for the support of our Schools must govern us in the matter of expenditure.

The Graduating Exercises of the Class of 1899, were commendable to the whole Class. The large attendance on that occasion showing plainly that the interest of the Town in this School has not abated in the least. The successful ending of the School Year by the Graduating Exercises, is due to the faithful efforts of the teachers accompanied by the co-operation of parents and others interested in the success of our Schools.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

From these Officers no report is necessary, as there is nothing to report.

In this Town, absentees from School are not truants, but are kept at home by order of parents or guardians.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This Day was observed as the law directs.

There was no lack of interest manifested by the teachers or scholars in its observance.

The exercises in the Schools, and also those that were rendered by the children on that day were profitable to all, and fully met the requirements of the law. We believe that our Country's Flag will be safe in the hands of the future generation, and will not want for noble defenders as the years roll on.

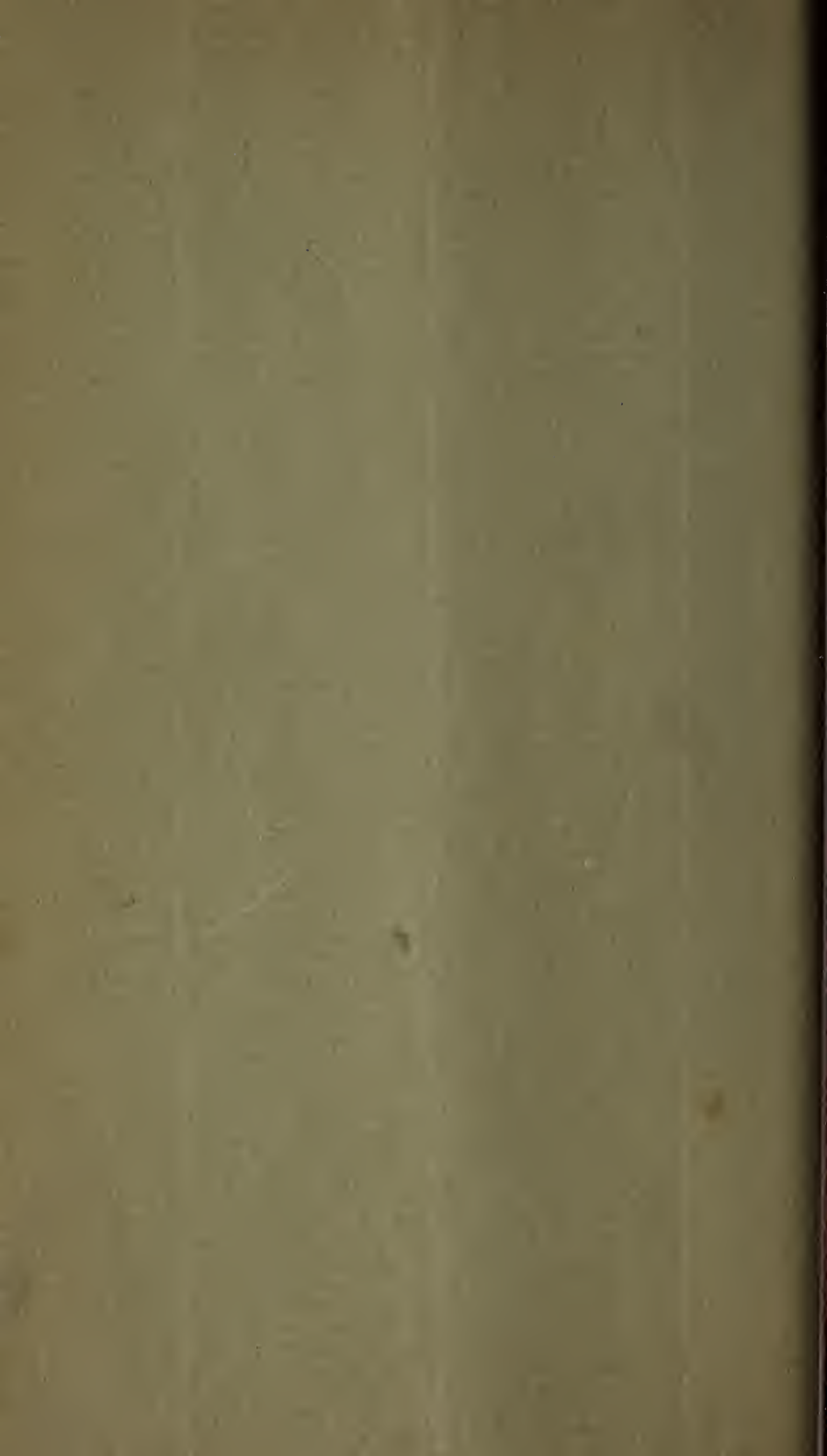
IN CONCLUSION.

We are under great obligations to the teachers for their faithful services; to the general public for their forbearance, co-operation, and interest manifested in the success of our Schools for the past year; for which accept our thanks.

Respectfully Submitted,

WALTER A. HUNTER,	}	<i>School Committee</i>
FRANKLIN HATHAWAY,		
SIDNEY CRAWFORD,		





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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

SELECTMEN,
C. R. BARTLETT, T. S. HEALD, H. E. WHEELER.

ASSESSORS,
W. C. TEMPLE, GEO. S. PUTNAM, E. H. CROSBY.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,
HENRY A. KENNEN, HENRY A. CONVERSE, WM. H. MAYNARD.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
W. A. HUNTER, ELLENTON W. WARD, FRANKLIN HATHAWAY.

WATER COMMISSIONERS,
C. R. BARTLETT, W. T. BROWN, W. A. WHEELER.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES,
W. C. TEMPLE, Mrs. G. B. MUNROE, Mrs. L. Q. SPAULDING.

CONSTABLES,
L. M. HANFF, J. W. MOULTON, G. S. PUTNAM,
E. E. LAWRENCE, M. D. POTTER.

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WORCESTER, SS.

To J. WARREN MOULTON, Constable, of the Town of Rutland, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland qualified to vote in election and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

ART. 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk for one year ; for three Selectmen for one year ; for three Assessors for one year ; for three Overseers of Poor for one year ; a Town Treasurer for one year ; a Collector of Taxes for one year ; five Constables for one year ; an Auditor for one year ; one member of the School Committee for three years ; one member of the Water Commissioners for three years ; one trustee of the Free Public Library for three years,

a Tree Warden for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town," all the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The Polls will be opened at 10 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 2 o'clock P. M.

ART. 4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

ART. 5. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer of the Town to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see if the Treasurer of the Town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.

ART. 8. To see what sums of money the Town shall raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools ; for repairs of Highways and Bridges ; for the support of the poor ; for State and Military Aid, for use on Memorial Day ; for transportation to and from the Public Schools ; and for contingent expenses and paying debts.

ART. 9. To see see what action the Town will take to have the Public Building and Hose House taken care of.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday law against hunting and fishing, or act anything thereon.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to abate any Taxes in the hands of the Collector.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to make an appropriation for the Water Department on account of hydrant service, or act thereon.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to change the date for holding Annual Meeting, or act thereon.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of outstanding bills for construction of new Public Building, or act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to pay for co-operate surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will vote to give the Fire Brigade the free use of the Town Hall for their entertainments.

ART. 18. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Welsh Fund.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote to give the Rural Cemetery Association the free use of water for their fountain, or act thereon.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will vote to increase the heating plant of the Public Building.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to pay George Green damages claimed for injury to a horse on the highway, or act thereon.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to repair the abutments and erect any iron bridges in the Town, or act thereon.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the New Boston Cemetery, or act thereon.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will vote to take any action relative to the proposed visit of President McKinley.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting Attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of said Town. One at each Post Office, and one at the Congregational Church in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereby fail not to make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and one.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. S. HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending Feb. 1, 1901.

We have paid the Holden Town Farm Association,	
at cost of \$2.00 per week for each inmate.	
Net expense of indoor poor,	\$263 16

OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid Mrs. Chas. White, for Hannah Martin,	\$46 00
Samuel Sherman, for Henry C. Clark,	25 14
Eunice A. Kennan, for Henry C. Clark,	33 00
R. C. Prescott, burial of Dennis Turner,	13 00
E. P. Bixby, M. D., for Hannah Martin,	6 00
City of Worcester, for Mary Gabree,	7 76
" " " " "	4 00
Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton,	52 00
Town of Hubbardston, for Mrs. Curtis Chickering,	2 00
Henry Converse, groceries for Mrs. C. Chickering,	77 22

Net expense for supporting the Poor the past year,	\$529 28
Settled by Overseers of Poor, Feb. 15, 1901.	

HENRY A. KENNEN, HENRY CONVERSE, WILLIAM H. MAYNARD,	}	Overseers.
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ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOLDEN POOR FARM ASSOC'N

For the Year ending Jan. 31, 1901.

The Board of Management respectfully submit the eleventh annual report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1901.

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT.

HOLDEN.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	Remarks.	No. days.
Lizzie Kenney,	44	Apr. 1, 1890,	continues,	365
Winifred Durdeen,	51	June 22, 1897,	continues,	365
Nahum S. Newton,	70	Dec. 24, 1891,	died Oct. 22,	264
Charles Prue,	78	Jan. 4, 1901,	continues,	27
				1,021

HUBBARDSTON.

David Rice,	82	Apr. 1, 1890,	continues,	365
Mary Savage,	46	Sept. 8, 1899,	continues,	365
Hattie Dexter,	56	Oct. 2, 1899,	died July 25,	175
Lizzie Durdeen,	40	Apr. 21, 1900,	continues,	285
Lizzie Durdeen,	11	Apr. 21, 1900,	disch. May 8,	17
Julia Durdeen,	5	Apr. 21, 1900,	disch. May 8,	17
Willie Durdeen,	4	Apr. 21, 1900,	disch. May 8,	17
Jennie Durdeen,	2	Apr. 21, 1900,	disch. May 8,	17
Flora Durdeen,	10 m.	Apr. 21, 1900,	continues.	
Emily Mann,	50	Mar. 1, 1900,	disch. Apr. 20,	50
				1,308

OAKHAM.

Charles S. Winslow,	41	Dec. 19, 1900,	continues,	43
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PAXTON.

Carrie Snow,	46	Apr. 10, 1896,	continues,	365
Lavina Pierce,	54	Feb. 4, 1900,	continues,	361
				<hr/> 726

PHILLIPSTON.

Alcina Chickering,	77	Oct. 6, 1899,	died May 3,	102
Eldora Baker,	32	Oct. 9, 1899,	disch. May 5,	104
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RUTLAND.

Rosa Roen,	63	Apr. 26, 1897,	continues,	365
John Kelley,	40	Nov. 15, 1898,	disch. Feb. 16,	16
Dennis Turner,	85	July 17, 1899,	died Aug. 30,	211
Celina Turner,	67	July 17, 1899,	disch. Dec. 26,	329
				<hr/> 921

ROYALSTON.

John E. Flagg,	81	Apr. 25, 1900,	left Sept. 10,	138
Martin Follen,	37	June 15, 1900,	disch. Aug. 7,	53
				<hr/> 191

TEMPLETON.

Minnie Cummings,	19	Sept. 29, 1900,	continues,	124
Robert Cummings,		born Dec. 21,	continues.	
Frank Pelkey,	79	Oct. 31, 1900,	continues,	92
				<hr/> 216

WESTMINSTER.

Adalade Eager,	60	Apr. 1, 1892,	continues,	365
Margaret Cronin,	55	Apr. 1, 1892,	continues,	365
Sarah Blake,	61	May 23, 1898,	away 81 days,	284
Carrie L. Wheeler,	22	Mar. 19 1900,	disch. June 15,	88
Annie R. Wheeler,	5	Mar. 19, 1900,	disch. June 15,	88
Grace E. Wheeler,	3	Mar. 19, 1900,	disch. June 15,	88
Walter L. Wheeler,	1	Mar. 19, 1900,	disch. June 15,	88
Milo Seaver,	18	June 25, 1900,	disch. Aug. 11,	47
Jeremiah Lucius,	76	Aug. 10, 1900,	continues,	143
Frank A. Taylor,	59	Oct. 7, 1900,	continues,	116
				<hr/> 1,584

Children less than one year old no charge. From one to five years old half price.

Total day board furnished 6,216, or 888 weeks.

Abigail Faggett of Holden has boarded at the institution throughout the year. W. H. Smith of Oakham, $11\frac{3}{4}$ weeks; and Bridget Carey of Westminster, $7\frac{1}{4}$ weeks.

Total number of inmates 38, of which 4 have died, 14 have been discharged, 1 left without leave, and 19 including 2 infants of less than a year old remain. The average weekly number has been $17\frac{1}{3}$. Nahum S. Newton, a veteran of the civil war from Holden, who has made his home here from choice for nearly ten years, his pension paying his board, answered to the final roll-call Oct. 22.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

RECEIPTS.

Milk,	\$1,379 12
Cows,	117 00
Calves,	29 50
Pork,	23 85
Poultry and eggs,	11 48
Beans,	7 10
Barrels and bags,	9 50
Work outside,	53 00
Board,	205 00
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	\$1,835 55

EXPENDITURES.

Warden's and matron's salary,	\$600 00
Outside labor,	214 45
Inside labor,	156 37
Grain,	630 78
Meat and fish,	240 71
Flour,	67 10
Groceries,	411 61
Dry goods and furniture,	132 96
Boots and shoes,	28 76
Ice,	8 14

Medical attendance and medicine,	52 72	
Tobacco and snuff,	2 70	
Tools and seeds,	139 73	
Blacksmithing,	32 30	
Stock,	268 00	
Miscellaneous,	139 23	
Wood,	40 00	
Rent,	325 00	
Interest on personal property,	120 99	
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		\$3,611 58
	Less receipts,	1,835 55
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	Balance being net expense,	\$1,776 03

Cost per week per each inmate, \$2.00.

Making the net expense to each town as follows :

Holden,	\$291 72	
Hubbardston,	373 72	
Oakham,	12 29	
Paxton,	207 43	
Phillipston,	58 86	
Rutland,	263 16	
Royalston,	54 57	
Templeton,	61 71	
Westminster,	452 57	
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		\$1,776 03

The total number of weeks board furnished by the institution during the first ten years ending with Jan. 31, 1900, was 8,833 $\frac{3}{4}$, an annual average of 883 $\frac{3}{4}$ weeks, and an average number of inmates receiving board throughout the year of 17, at an expense per week of \$2.223.

Notwithstanding the large mortality, which was caused by old age, or an enfeebled condition of the deceased, previous to their being admitted to the institution, the general health of the inmates has been good.

Templeton was admitted to the association by vote of the board of management last spring, making nine towns.

A convenient addition of 20x30 feet was made to the barn by the town of Holden late in the fall, which gives space for a summer

milk-room, a box stall, and a number of cow-stanchions which has allowed of the purchase of two additional cows and an ayershire bull, making the herd consist of 19.

The average number of milch cows has not exceed 16, which makes the receipts from milk and calves sold \$88.04, and if to this was added the price of the daily allowance of two cans to the house. The net return per cow would very closely approximate \$100, which is certainly a very creditable showing.

It is worthy of note that the report of the inspector appointed by the State Board of Charity, under the Provisions of Chapter 215, Acts of 1900, was much more just than the like efforts of most of the visitors of previous years, being free from the criticism so freely indulged in by them.

The Christmas dinner of turkey and other good things annually contributed for the last eight years by the Hon. F. T. Coolidge of Fitchburg, to the inmates of our institution was never better than last Christmas.

Another well managed year is anticipated, as the services of the present warden and matron, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Potter, have been secured.

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President.

JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary.

FRED T. HOLT, Holden, Treasurer.

WILLIS H. LOVEWELL, Hubbardston.

HENRY H. PIKE, Paxton.

D. WEBSTER BAKER, Phillipston.

HENRY A. KENNEN, Rutland.

CALEB W. DAY, Royalston.

CHARLES H. LEATHE, Templeton.

Board of Management.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition for Year ending Feb. 15, 1901.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer during the past year three hundred and sixty orders amounting to \$12,115.56 as follows :

The appropriations of the Town are as follows :

State Tax,	\$315 00
County Tax,	699 00
Town Grant,	11,325 00
Overlayings,	62 84
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	\$12,401 84

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer, water loan,	\$23,000 00
State Treasurer, water loan,	3,000 00
State Treasurer, building loan,	16,700 00
State Treasurer, six notes,	5,000 00
People's Savings Bank, twelve notes	21,800 00
A. A. Heald, Admr., two notes,	1,800 00
City of Salem, water loan,	2,000 00
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	\$73,300 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Sinking Fund,	\$3,922 70
Welsh Fund,	118 43
State, for State Aid,	363 75
C. A. Spooner, on School-house,	10 00
M. M. Smith, on School-house,	10 00
State, $\frac{1}{2}$ Compensation for Cattle	
Inspector,	42 50
Water Rent,	298 43
Service Connections,	97 85
E. E. Lawrence, for pipe,	124 00
L. M. Hanff, Treas. and Collector,	14,021 45
Value of Water System,	30,000 00
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	\$49,009 11
Showing a Balance against the Town of	<hr/>
	\$24,290 89

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Louis M. Hanff,	\$45 25
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SELECTMEN.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$36 00	
T. S. Heald,	36 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	36 00	
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ASSESSORS.

Paid W. C. Temple,	\$45 00	
G. S. Putnam,	42 50	
E. H. Crosby,	45 00	
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OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid H. A. Kennan,	49 00	
Henry Converse,	5 00	
W. H. Maynard,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$59 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid W. A. Hunter (Bill for 1899),	\$20 00	
Franklin Hathaway (Bill for 1899),	56 25	
E. W. Ward, included services of Committee in amount paid schools.		
	<hr/>	\$76 25

AUDITOR.

Paid E. W. Ward,	\$6 00
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WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$10 00	
W. T. Brown.		
W. A. Wheeler,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

TREASURER.

Paid L. M. Hanff,	\$150 00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$25 00
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REGISTRARS,

Paid Louis M. Hanff,	\$8 00	
C. R. Bartlett,	8 00	
T. S. Heald,	8 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	8 00	
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TREE WARDEN.

Paid Franklin Hathaway,	\$3 75
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LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty,	\$78 00
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CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Paid Geo. S. Putnam,	\$45 00
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BALLOT CLERKS.

Paid R. C. Prescott,	\$2 00	
W. A. Russell,	2 00	
J. M. Moulton,	4 00	
E. W. Ward,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$10 00

CONSTABLES.

Paid J. Warren Moulton,	\$ 9 50	
L. M. Hanff,	8 00	
W. F. Moore (special constable),	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$29 50

SEXTON.

Paid R. C. Prescott,	\$24 75
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 SNOW BILLS.

Paid C. A. Spooner,	75
C. W. Hammond,	83
Geo. Hammond,	\$ 1 25
Herbert Heald,	1 83
W. F. Reid,	3 58
C. T. Oliver,	2 10
Henry B. Davis,	1 66
J. W. Munroe,	7 40

F. H. Mellin,	\$3 08
Walter H. Prescott,	4 25
John E. O'Leary,	5 16
Della La Ton,	4 50
Horace E. Smith,	1 96
W. H. Hammond,	3 00
Frank Forward,	3 00
Charles Parker,	1 16
John J. Welsh,	4 42
C. J. Campbell,	7 87
Lakeville Woolen Co.,	4 00
E. M. Davis,	50
Daniel McCarty,	10 80
James Hammond,	7 01
Geo. G. Pierce,	1 83
W. M. Demond,	7 50
Warren G. Wales,	2 70
Peter Riley,	4 18
H. A. Kennen,	11 55
A. F. Brown,	25 30
Wm. Parker,	10 08
Charles Parker,	8 33
Frank Forward,	8 33
Patrick Casey,	6 00
C. H. Morse,	8 50
F. R. Lucke,	8 67
James White,	10 66
James Hammond,	15 66
William Hammond,	10 41
F. H. Mellin,	4 66
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	\$224 47

INCIDENTALS.

Paid C. F. Lawrence, printing,	\$13 00
Geo. Armitage, gravel,	2 00
Herbert Heald, maintaining watering tub,	2 50
Worcester Printing Co., printing notices,	2 10
Marcellus Roper, piano,	180 00
Worcester Insane Hospital, for G. P. Browning,	41 79

Putnam & Davis, stationery,	\$ 90
Ames Plow Co., highway tools,	11 88
Good Roads Machine Co., plow point,	2 50
Duncan & Goodell Co., wood saw and axe,	3 30
F. Hathaway, freight on spikes,	1 50
Ross Brothers, highway tools,	10 60
B. & M. R. R., freight,	1 75
H. B. Davis, painting road scraper,	7 00
L. M. Hanff, Court expense, Frederick and Franklin Clark,	57 88
John J. Welsh, guard rails and repairing,	11 00
E. H. Tripp, printing town reports and notices,	56 75
E. A. Putnam, oil,	13 52
Worcester Insane Hospital, for G. P. Browning,	42 25
C. A. Stone, express.	40
James Hammond, drawing sluice stone,	9 00
W. H. Hammond, stone, and drawing same,	21 40
R. C. Prescott, oil	42
The Clark Sawyer Co., chimneys,	2 00
B. & M. R. R., freight,	28
E. A. Putnam, oil,	6 32
Geo. Tyler & Co, repairs,	60
W. H. Moore, for Public Library,	9 15
E. H. Tripp, printing letter heads,	3 50
Lakeville Woolen Co., sharpening tools,	6 60
D. H. Hayter, Court expense, fees, etc.	78 88
E. H. Tripp, valuation reports and tax bills,	34 45
E. A. Murdock, reporting birth,	25
Worcester Insane Hospital, for G. P. Browning,	42 71
Dr. E. P. Bixby, return of birth,	25
Sanford-Sawtelle Co., assessors' blanks,	2 50
Putnam & Davis, tax collector's blanks,	1 00
H. A. Kennen, tools for highway,	2 00
B. & M. R. R., freight,	28
Paul Wheeler, pick handles,	1 50
D. H. Hayter, fees and expenses,	35 00
S. S. Putnam, express on book,	25
Dr. H. O. Palmer, reporting birth,	25
American Express Co.,	45

H. A. Kennen, putting up railing,	\$5 23
E. H. Tripp, selectmen's order book.	3 75
E. E. Lawrence, expense to Boston looking up auxilliary pump,	4 50
R. C. Prescott, chimneys, etc.,	1 55
W. A. Wheeler, maintaining watering tub,	5 00
L. M. Hanff, painting guide-boards,	63 53
Dr. W. E. Chamberlain, reporting births two years,	7 00
F. Jefts, shelving, etc.,	10 74
Henry Shaw, overseers' book,	2 00
Thayer & Cobb, legal advice,	10 00
J. M. Kennedy Co., sundries,	6 59
Lakeville Woolen Co., two men watching fire one night,	4 00
W. A. Hunter, drawing gravel,	3 00
W. C. Temple, balance due on library appropriation,	59 29
H. Converse, highway tools,	3 80
H. E. Wheeler, watching fire one night near Gleason's,	2 00
T. S. Heald, one sluice stone,	1 00
R. C. Prescott, snpplies for public building,	1 31
R. C. Prescott, one-third salary, janitor,	121 33
For one-third fuel for public building,	121 06
C. R. Bartlett, expense to Boston, making contract with L. A. Taylor.	4 50
C. R. Bartlett, expense to Boston, looking up auxiliary pump,	4 50
C. R. Bartlett, one day laying out pipe line,	2 00
C. R. Bartlett, collecting samples of water for year and sending samples to State Board of Health,	8 00
C. R. Bartlett, drawing wood and oil to public building,	2 00
C. R. Bartlett, postage,	1 50
W. J. Hunt, watching fire near Gleason's,	2 00
L. M. Hanff, administering oaths, expense negotiating loans, care of Townsend lot, etc.,	23 84
	<hr/> \$1,206 68

HOSE HOUSE TOWER.

Paid W. L. Reed, windows and freight,	\$6 55
Chas. Baker Lumber Co.,	56 06
Ellwood Adams, nails and tin roofing, etc.,	11 60

Irving W. Wheeler, ball and truck for flagpole,	\$1 15
Young Brothers, ladders,	3 38
Thos. Smith & Co., truss rods,	7 28
W. L. Reed, labor,	74 18
W. L. Reed, labor,	19 68
C. A. Stone, express,	25
F. S. Hunt, lumber,	19 00
Elwood Adams, nails, dirt pan, etc.,	6 00

\$205 13

MEMORIAL DAY.

Paid D. F. Smith, treasurer G. A. R. Post 136,	\$25 00
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COAL SHED.

Paid Geo. A. Barnard, for slate,	\$22 66
Frieght on slate,	1 40
Charles Baker & Co., mouldings,	1 22
W. L. Reed, labor,	49 61
E. E. Lawrence, labor on coal shed,	9 50
F. S. Hunt, lumber,	38 15
Elwood Adams, nails,	1 66

\$124 20

BRIDGES.

Paid Chas. Baker Lumber Co., plank,	\$26 56
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	1 80
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	2 85
Peter Riley, work on New Boston bridge,	34 35
Americau Bridge Company, iron bridge,	172 00
Baker Lumber Company, plank and timber,	48 60
F. S. Hunt, bridge lumber,	29 66
Elwood Adams, cask spikes,	3 14
Hugh Hammond, repairing bridge,	2 00
W. M. Demond, drawing lumber,	6 00
E. Wellington, labor and lumber,	16 72
Fred. D. Wellington, labor,	6 00
O. W. McGann, labor,	9 65
H. E. Wheeler, labor,	5 00

\$364 33

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town officers,	\$845 00
Schools,	4,305 85
Snow,	224 47
State aid,	363 75
Overseers' orders,	529 28
Highways,	1,991 81
Bridges,	364 33
Water department,	1,930 06
Hose tower,	205 13
Coal shed,	124 20
Incidentals,	1,206 68
Memorial Day,	25 00
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	\$12,115 56

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

George W. Pierce,	T. Sibley Heald,
William J. Hunt,	J. Warren Moulton,
John J. Welsh,	Charles H. Upham,
Edward F. Preston,	Charles A. Spooner,
Herman D. Bray,	H. Edward Wheeler,
Henry B. Davis,	Mark A. Putnam,
Clarence T. Oliver,	William H. Maynard,
	George F. Handy.

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED.

- One near S. B. Bray's.
- One near E. C. Dudley's.
- One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads.
- One at West Rutland, near Post Office.
- One near Charles Pierce's.
- Two near Patrick Delehanty's.
- Two near Henry Kennen's.
- One near Miles Holden's.
- One near Gen. Putnam Memorial.
- One near Muschopauge House.
- One near Center Post Office.

One on Pound Hill.
 One near Daniel Nihin's.
 One near Walter Bartlett's.
 One near M. Myron Smith's.
 One near C. R. Bartletts.
 One near W. J. D. D'Ewarts.
 One near Greenleaf corner.
 One near Benjamin Allen place.
 One near Addison Childs.
 One at New Boston corner.
 One near W. J. Brodmerkle's.
 One near Levi H. Stearns.
 One near Sargent's corner.
 One near Upham's corner.
 One near D. R. Wheeler's.
 One near No. 1 School House.

The Selectmen would recommend the following appropriations for the coming year :

THE STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Schools and Transportation,	\$3,000 00
Highways,	1,600 00
Bridges,	400 00
Poor,	700 00
State Aid,	400 00
Contingent,	1,000 00
Paying Debts,	4,000 00
Snow,	1,000 00
Memorial Day,	25 00

Your Selectmen would say that some of the departments have drawn orders in excess of the appropriations, while others have drawn less than the appropriations. The Town made no appropriation for bridges, but as several of the bridges were found to be in a very unsafe condition, especially two at New Boston, it was deemed expedient to construct a new bridge near the school-house which was of iron, erected by the American Bridge Company at a cost of \$172, not including the planking; also the replacing of new

timbers and new planking of the bridge over Ware River near E. Wellington's. The bridge at North Rutland and one of the abutments need quite general repairs, and it may be wise to erect an iron bridge there the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
T. S. HEALD,		<i>of</i>
H. E. WHEELER,		<i>Rutland</i>

Rutland, February 15, 1901.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

As Highway Surveyor of the town of Rutland, the following orders have been drawn on the Treasurer for the amounts which have been expended in the following months. The town being divided into two sections and worked by one Surveyor and one Deputy Surveyor.

The west section by H. A. Kennen as follows:

March,	\$49 90
April,	277 39
May,	323 68
June,	151 00
August,	79 00
September,	30 25
October,	84 00
November,	8 00
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	\$1,003 22

The east section by Arthur F. Brown as follows:

April,	\$292 41
April,	11 00
May,	309 83
June,	180 50
August,	56 67
September,	99 34
October,	16 50
November,	22 34
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	\$988 59

There has been 17 culverts repaired, part of them have been new ones on the west section and about the same on the east section. As there are more that ought to be repaired I would recommend an appropriation of \$150 to be expended on culverts. As it is important they should be kept open I would recommend that the town appropriate the sum of \$1,600 for roads and \$50 for cutting brush, as this is the sum averaged in the past years.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. KENNEN,
Highway Surveyor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF FIRE APPARATUS BELONGING TO THE RUTLAND FIRE BRIGADE.

- 1 two-horse hose reel, with 1,000 feet of hose.
- 4 nozzles and pipes.
- 2 hydrant wrenches.
- 5 hose shackles.
- 4 axes.
- 1 hand pump, with 50 feet effective hose ; also 50 feet of defective hose.
- 1 suction hose 8 feet long.
- 1 nozzle.
- 1 spannier.
- 1 iron bar.
- 1 ladder hook.
- 100 feet $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rope.
- 1 low single express wagon.
- 1 ladder truck, with two extension ladders and four roof ladders.
- 1 30-foot ladder.
- 22 fire pails in good order.
- 1 traverse runner sled for ladders.
- 24 arm-chairs.
- 10 bracket lamps.
- 1 hand lamp.
- 1 stove.
- 5 cuspidors.
- 1 dustpan and brush.
- 2 hand lanterns.
- 2 horse blankets.

Also fire buckets and ladders at North and West Rutland.

J. R. PUTNAM,

Clerk Rutland Fire Brigade.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

BIRTHS.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1900 :

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE.
		1899.
Walter Henry,	Joseph A. and Rosanna (Snow) Mathews,	Oct. 30.
		1900.
Chester Whiting,	Willie M. and Ethel (Whiting) Demond,	Jan. 15.
Oliver Ellsworth,	George M. and Julia (Blanchard) Davis,	Jan. 25.
Laura Hannah,	Thomas and Nancy (Gilman) Connor,	Mar. 13.
George,	Edward A. and Emma (Oakes) Mitchell,	Apr. 14.
Pauline Catherine,	Michael and Mary J. (Preston) Loughman,	June 27.
Pauline,	Robert and Anna (Wideman) Ploetz,	July 16.
Walter Francis,	Timothy and Annie M. (Mellia) Shea,	Aug. 12.
Clarence Emerson,	William F. and Nellie (Dimond) Reid,	Sept. 15.
	Anelous and Minnie C. (Cummings) Chickering,	Sept. 15.
Elizabeth,	Walter A. and Mary (Wedge) King Wheeler,	Oct. 2.
Alice,	Joseph H. and Edith (Richardson) Hadley,	Oct. 5.
Dorothy,	William J. and Ida (Foster) Hunt,	Nov. 16.
Walter,	William and Annie (Lawless) Burke,	Nov. 20.
John Perminus,	John P. and Anna Bella (McKay) Henderson,	Dec. 19.
Louis Edward,	Charles and Clara (Lucies) Blake,	Dec. 19.
Ernest Raymond,	Fred'k. S. and Abbie (Wales) Hunt,	Dec. 24.
Raymond, Albert,	George A. and Emma L. (Strong) Hatstat,	Dec. 28.

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
February 27,	Fred John Tucker,	Auburn, Mass.
	Abbie R. (Hunter) Prescott,	Rutland, Mass.
March 9,	John W. Beckett,	Rutland, Mass.
	Maggie S. Bent,	Nova Scotia

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
April 5,	Charles L. Palmer,	Rutland, Mass.
	Martha (Hurlburt) Putnam,	Rutland, Mass.
April 11,	Irving W. Mullett,	Oakham, Mass.
	Bertha A. Taylor,	Rutland, Mass.
June 27,	John H. Putnam,	Baldwinville, Mass.
	Grace E. Ware,	Rutland, Mass.
July 28,	Daniel Bradley,	Worcester, Mass.
	Minnie A. Phelan,	Worcester, Mass.
September 12,	Henry M. McEvoy,	Rutland, Mass.
	Mary Frances Scott,	Rutland, Mass.
September 20,	Weston R. Upham,	Rutland, Mass.
	Jeannette E. Davis,	Rutland, Mass.
November 7th,	Patrick Myers,	Rutland, Mass.
	Katie (Cody) Munroe,	Rutland, Mass.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAME.	Y.	M.	D.	RESIDENCE.
January 6,	Jennie L. Scott,	29	—	—	Hawley.
January 21,	Lawrence F. Shields,	52	—	—	Boston.
January 29,	Arthur L. Bean,	34	—	—	Stoneham.
February 16,	Sophia D. Penke,	27	8	—	Cambridge.
February 16,	Annie W. (Lathrop) Knowlton,	25	3	7	Rutland.
March 24,	Winnifred (Richardson) Bates,	29	3	7	Leominster.
March 24,	Stella M. Gleason,	1	1	13	Rutland.
April 2,	Schuyler Prouty,	80	2	7	Rutland.
April 8,	Jean Maude Fraser,	32	—	—	Cambridge.
April 12,	Dennis J. O'Brien,	22	—	4	Boston.
May 5,	Ellen J. Darling,	63	3	—	Rutland.
June 30,	John W. Hayden,	39	—	—	Boston.
July 5,	Elizabeth G. Marble,	64	—	—	Arlington.
July 17,	Sara D. Spooner,	49	8	3	Rutland.
July 25,	Pauline G. Loughman,	—	1	25	Rutland.
July 27,	Male,	Stillborn,			Rutland.
August 7,	Martha R. (Wheeler) Miles,	79	1	2	Rutland.
August 21,	Willie Henry Handy,	13	8	19	Rutland.
August 26,	Walter Francis Shea,	—	—	14	Rutland.
August 30,	Dennis Turner,	86	—	—	Rutland.
September 1,	Mary A. Moriarty,	27	9	—	Rutland.
September 7,	Charles Pierce,	74	4	14	Rutland.
December 17,	Marcus Cronin,	27	—	—	Concord, Mass.
December 20,	Alice Hadley,	11 weeks,			Rutland.
December 31,	Alice P. Gates,	86	3	10	Rutland.

Number of Dogs licensed during the year 1900 :

70 Males @ \$2.00,	\$140 00	
8 Females @ \$5 00,	40 00	
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	\$180 00	
Less 78 Fees @ \$0.20,	15 60	
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Paid County Treasurer,	\$164 40	
Received for 4 Males since Dec. 1,		\$8 00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, *Town Clerk.*

Rutland, February 15, 1901.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Louis M. Hanff, Collector and Treasurer, in account with
the Town of Rutland.

1900.	DR.	
March 10,	To balance on hand,	\$11.620 09
15,	Received from Loan,	2 000 00
21,	Received from E. F. Browning, Guardian,	36 00
April 14,	Received from Loan,	1,500 00
May 1,	Received from Loan,	2,800 00
May 5,	Received from Loan,	2,000 00
May 5,	Received from Water Rent, State Sanatorium,	500 00
May 14,	Received from Loan,	2,000 00
June 2,	Received from Loan,	1,500 00
June 2,	Received from Loan,	1,000 00
June 7,	Received from Loan,	1,000 00
June 23,	Received from Loan,	1,200 00
June 23,	Received from E. F. Browning, Guardian,	36 00
June 23,	Received from State Treasurer, education of children,	21 50
June 29,	Received from Boston, education of children,	58 00
July 31,	Received from Loan,	800 00
Aug. 6,	Received from Loan,	1,500 00
Aug. 18,	Received form State Sanatorium, water rent,	500 00

Sept.	15,	Received from Loan,	\$2,000 00
Sept.	15,	Received from E. F. Browning, Guardian,	36 00
Sept.	15,	Received from State Treasurer, education of children,	159 30
Oct.	16,	Received from Loan,	1,000 00
Nov.	14,	Received from Loan,	1,600 00
Nov.	14,	Received from H. D. Bray, school house,	27 12
Dec.	3,	Received from Loan,	1,500 00
Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer, State aid,	386 79
Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer, corpora- tion tax,	15 33
Dec.	10,	Received from State Sanatorium, water rent,	250 00
Dec.	20,	Received from County Treasurer, Dog fund,	148 45
Dec.	20,	Received from E. F. Browning, Guardian,	36 00

1901.

Jan.	7,	Received from B. W. Potter, redeeming land,	28 46
Jan.	14,	Received from Loan,	1,200 00
Jan.	25,	Received from State Treasurer, School fund,	428 59
Jan.	25,	Received from Estate of W. L. Clark, rebate revenue,	22 50
Feb.	7,	Received from W. Rutland Sunday school,	2 50
Feb.	8,	Received from State Sanatorium, water rent,	250 00
Feb.	11,	Received from C. R. Bartlett, old cupola,	5 00
Feb.	11,	Received from H. E. Wheeler, for grass,	3 00
Feb.	11,	Received from O. W. McGann, lumber,	2 00
Feb.	11,	Received from R. C. Prescott, janitor,	274 25
Feb.	11,	Received from 1900 Tax bills,	12,413 09
Feb.	11,	Received from extra bills,	6 00
Feb.	11,	Received from C. A. Spooner school,	15 00
Feb.	15,	Received from Interest on Taxes,	306 86

Feb.	15,	Received from State Aid, for G. P. Browning,	\$18 75
Feb.	15,	Received from C. R. Bartlett, Supt., water rents,	497 89
Feb.	15,	Received from F. B. Stearns, for wood shed,	21 20
Feb.	15,	Received from C. R. Bartlett, service connections,	71 10
Feb.	15,	Received from Michael Loughman, for coal,	11 74
Total			<hr/> \$52,808 51

1900.

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Feb.	19,	Paid to State Treasurer, interest,	\$48 75
March	15,	Paid to State Treasurer, note and interest,	1,120 00
March	15,	Paid to Peoples Savings Bank, note and interest,	503 85
April	2,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
April	16,	Paid to P ople's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,514 07
May	1,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,018 75
May	6,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
May	7,	Paid to State Treasurer. interest,	253 75
May	14,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
June	4,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,530 00
June	8,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,018 75
June	25,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,227 00
Aug.	1,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	20 00

Aug.	2,	Paid to State Treasurer, note and interest,	\$940 63
Aug.	7,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,530 00
Aug	18,	Paid to State Treasurer, note and interest,	348 75
Aug.	24,	Paid to F. A. Newell, Treas., interest water loan,	35 00
Sept.	15,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
Sept.	18,	Paid to State Treasurer, interest,	100 00
Oct.	2,	Paid to County Treas., 1-2 County Tax,	349 50
Oct.	2,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
Oct.	8,	Paid to State Treasurer, interest,	48 75
Oct.	14,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	30 00
Nov.	1,	Paid to National Bank of the Republic, note and interest,	508 75
Nov.	3,	Paid to State Treasurer,	245 00
Nov.	3,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	56 00
Nov.	5,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	40 00
Nov.	14,	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
Dec.	1.	Paid to F. A. Newell, Treasurer, interest on Water Loan,	35 00
Dec.	2.	Paid to A. A. Heald, Admr., interest,	20 00
Dec.	2.	Paid to County Treas., balance County Tax,	349 50
Dec.	2.	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,530 00
Dec.	7.	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
Dec.	10.	Paid to State Treasurer, State Tax,	315 00
Dec.	28.	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	24 00
1901.			
Jan.	15.	Paid to People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,515 00

Feb.	1.	Paid to State Treasurer, interest,	\$431 25
Feb.	1.	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
Feb.	6.	Paid to People's Savings Bank, interest,	30 00
Feb.	15.	Returned to Water Construction Fund,	34 45
Feb.	15.	Paid into Sinking Fund,	500 00
Feb.	15.	Paid 360 Selectmen's Orders,	12,115 56
Feb.	15.	Uncollected taxes,	12,963 68
Feb.	15.	On deposit in bank,	680 50
Feb.	15.	Cash on hand,	377 27
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			\$52,808 51

WATER DEPARTMENT CONSTRUCTION FUND.

1900		DR.	
March	10,	To Balance on hand,	\$68 62
May	1,	Received from Loan,	3,000 00
May	1,	Received from B. & M. R. R.,	25 00
1901.			
Feb.	11,	Received from Interest on Deposit,	11 29
Feb.	11,	Received from General Fund, amount transferred, February 15, 1898,	34 45
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			\$3,139 36
Feb.	18,	Due from W. L. Reed,	25 00
Feb.	18,	Due the Treasurer,	20 64
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			45 64
Total,			<hr/>
			\$3,185 00
1900.		CR.	
May	14,	Paid to L. A. Taylor,	\$2,000 00
June	20,	Paid to L. A. Taylor,	800 00
July	1,	Paid to L. A. Taylor,	380 00
July	1,	Paid to L. M. Hanff, expense,	5 00
Total,			<hr/>
			\$3,185 00

ACCOUNT OF THE FUND TO PAY THE NOTE OF
PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK OF \$5,000. DUE
APRIL, 2, 1904.

1901. ON DEPOSIT FEB. 15, 1901.

Feb.	15, People's Savings Bank,	\$1,095 49	
Feb.	15, Dividend,	<u>38 33</u>	
			\$1,133 82
Feb.	15, Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$1,193 46	
Feb.	15, Dividend,	<u>44 92</u>	
			\$1,238 18
Jan.	1, Worcester County Institution for Savings,	1,015 05	
Jan.	1, Dividend,	<u>35 65</u>	
			\$1,050 70
Feb.	15, Deposit in Savings Bank,	500 00	
	Total,		<u>\$3,922 70</u>

TRUST FUNDS IN HANDS OF TOWN TREASURER.

HELEN H. WELSH BEQUEST.

1900.

Feb. 15,	Balance in People's Savings Bank,	\$114 44
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1901.

Feb. 15.	Dividend,	<u>3 99</u>	
	Total,		\$118 43

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

1900.

Feb. 15. Balance in Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$100 00
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1901.

Feb. 15. Dividend,	3 77
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	<u>\$103 77</u>
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Due Cemetery Association,	3 77
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Balance in bank,	<u>\$100 00</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF, *Treas.*

RUTLAND, Feb. 15, 1901.

REPORT OF THE

Trustees of the Free Public Library.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$56 30	
Appropriation,	121 53	
Received from non-residents, for use of Library, and from fines and sales of catalogues,	14 06	
		\$191 89

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty, Librarian,	\$78 00	
For new books,	65 50	
For express and freight,	2 26	
For furnishings for Library,	9 50	
For papers and magazines,	9 15	
For shelves and supports,	5 11	
		\$169 52
Balance unexpended, in hands of Trustees,		\$22 37

The whole number of books taken from the Library during the year was 4,208, an increase of over one thousand from last year; 56 new volumes have been added to the Library during the year by purchase.

We wish to call special attention to the large number of books that have been contributed to the Library by friends. The greater part of the books given have been new ones.

The following are the names of those who have kindly donated them: Mr. J. S. Munroe, 78; Mr. W. W. Kimball, 25; Mrs. R. P. Barry, 5; Rev. S. Crawford, 4; Mrs. L. A. Baker, 2; Miss Persis King and Mrs. C. H. Upham, 1. In addition to these several papers and magazines are regularly contributed for the reading-room.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. TEMPLE,	} Trustees of Library
MRS. SARAH MUNROE,	
MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,	

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending Feb. 15, 1901.

FELLOW CITIZENS :—

The report of the public schools we herewith submit :

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years as per school census, Sept. 1st, 1900,	207
Number between seven and fourteen,	128
Whole number of pupils registered in the schools,	243
Average membership,	194
Average attendance,	168.6
Per cent. of average attendance,	86.4

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Appropriations :

For support of schools,	\$2,400 00	
For conveyance of pupils,	800 00	
From the dog fund,	50 00	
Received from the State School Fund,	428 59	
Received from the State, for tuition of boys,	180 80	
Received from Boston, for tuition of boys,	58 00	
Due from town of Oakham, for tuition;	73 50	
For Superintendent of Schools,	200 00	
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Total,		\$4,190 89
Overdrawn,		66 69
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		\$4,257 58

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,287 20
Books and supplies,	252 97
Conveyance of pupils,	853 00
Janitors,	264 77
Fuel,	278 34
Superintendent's services,	150 00
School Committee's services,	113 20
Truant Officer's services,	3 00
Census Enumerator's services,	14 00
Sundries,	41 10
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	\$4,257 58

CONTINGENT.

Repairs and furnishings,	\$48 27
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BILLS APPROVED.

Arthur A. Heald,	\$143 00
Alice M. Parrington,	9 00
Lillian C. Brooks,	100 00
Edith J. Brown,	189 00
Frank P. Ayer,	315 00
C. M. Teague,	110 00
Jennie R. Burnham,	309 00
Jennie B. Haskell,	280 00
Mrs. Wm. C. Temple,	40 00
Ada D. A. Jocoy,	77 00
Jennie M. Turner,	40 00
Lucy M. Grant,	168 00
Grace E. Damon,	128 00
Helen H. Jaques,	320 00
Ruth E. Butterfield,	59 20
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	\$2,287 20

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

Chas. A. Spooner, for last year,	\$50 00	
Chas. A. Spooner,	116 00	
Dellen Laton,	\$50 00	
Walter A. Hunter, last year,	30 00	
Wm. F. Reid, last year,	60 00	
Wm. F. Reid,	208 00	
Charles A. Stone,	133 00	
Stephen P. Allen,	128 00	
Warren G. Wales,	55 00	
Mrs. Gleason,	11 00	
Town of Barre,	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$853 00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Edward F. Babb & Co.,	\$171 20	
Sanford-Sawtelle & Co.,	26 58	
Ginn & Co.,	23 42	
J. L. Hammet Co.,	13 65	
Herbert J. Jones,	3 09	
Frank P. Ayer,	1 50	
H. H. Jaques,	1 10	
Educational Pub. Co.,	1 05	
D. H. Heath,	11 38	
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SUPERVISION.

H. J. Jones, Superintendent,	\$150 00	
W. A. Hunter, School Committee,	53 20	
F. Hathaway, School Committee.	37 50	
E. W. Ward, School Committee,	22 50	
Geo. S. Putnam, Census Enumerator,	14 00	
L. M. Hauff, Truant Officer,	3 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$280 20

JANITORS.

Roland C. Prescott,	\$242 67	
For west and north Rutland,	22 10	
Total,	<hr/>	\$264 77

FUEL.

For new building,	\$242 13	
For west and north Rutland,	36 21	
Total,		\$278 34
Sundries,		41 10
Totals for bills approved for the support of schools,		\$4,257 58
Repairs and furnishings,		48 27
		<u>\$4,305 85</u>

STATEMENT FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF RUTLAND :

Allow me to submit a brief statement in anticipation of a full report of my work as Superintendent of the Central Worcester District. As more than half of the schools of the district are still in session, it was impracticable to get this full report in print in time for your early town meeting. I trust it may have your attention and that of the citizens of Rutland a little later.

Since Sept. 4, 1900, 243 pupils have been enrolled. The names of the teachers and the details of attendance are shown below :

Statistic for the full Year, ending February 9, 1901.

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SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Average Wages per Month.	TERMS, 1900-1901.	Number of Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance for Year.	Number of Cases Tardiness.
High School,	{ Arthur A. Heald, Frank P. Ayer, " " "	\$57 33	Spring, Fall, Winter,	11 11 10	30.0 21.4 23.6	29.0 19.5 20.2	97.4 92.2 83.7	90.8	8 38 51
Center Grammar,	{ Mr. C. M. Teague, Jennie K. Burnham, " " "	40 00	Spring, Fall, Winter,	11 11 10	30.0 42.8 42.9	32.9 40.2 36.0	80.5 93.6 83.3	85.8	20 54 31
Center Intermediate,	{ Jennie B. Haskell, " " " " " "	40 00	Spring, Fall, Winter,	11 11 10	35.0 35.2 35.4	31.8 32.9 29.6	90.0 93.4 83.7	89.0	34 7 4
Center Primary,	{ Helen H. Jaques, " " " " " "	40 00	Spring, Fall, Winter,	11 11 10	38.4 51.2 43.1	31.9 45.0 33.8	80.0 88.3 78.0	82.1	58 73 41
North Rutland,	{ Jennie R. Burnham, Grace E. Dannon, " " "	33 33	Spring, Fall, Winter,	11 11 10	24.0 26.7 26.8	21.0 21.8 20.5	87.5 81.8 76.6	82.0	10 21 28
West Rutland,	{ Ada D. A. Jocoy, Lacy M. Grant, " " "	30 66	Spring, Fall, Winter,	11 11 10	23.0 23.0 20.7	20.5 21.5 17.5	89.0 93.0 84.0	88.7	20 22 21

The town has furnished the smallest number of weeks of school which the law allows. Taking out of this number the time lost by unavoidable interruptions, a very short school year remains. The average length of the schools of the State is 9 months 9 days. Let me present a suggestion in the words of Secretary Hill:

If towns plan for precisely thirty-two weeks' schooling, they expose themselves to a pretty strong likelihood of running short of that length. Would it not be wiser for them to add a margin of a week or two for contingencies? A generous margin thus added would still leave them several weeks behind the State average.

In accordance with the agreement of the Joint Committee, I have spent two days in your Town every two weeks, averaging a visit to each school in that time. I have also held four teachers' meetings for consultation and instruction. My later report will discuss some of the lines of effort pursued.

Let me here acknowledge the earnestness and intelligence of the teachers, whose co-operation is essential to any progress we have made or may make. We are working together to secure the highest return to the town for its investment in the schools.

I thank you, gentlemen, for your confidence and support, and remain,

Very respectfully yours,

HERBERT J. JONES.

February 15, 1901.

NOTICE

Our Superintendent's detailed report of the schools of the district is not in print, but will be in readiness for distribution April first.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

Mr. Geo. S. Putnam was appointed enumerator and acceptably performed the duties as the law directs, and the following was the result of the enumeration:

1. Number of boys between the ages of five and fifteen,	108
Number of girls between the ages of five and fifteen,	99
Total,	<hr/> 207

2. Number of boys between the ages of seven and fourteen,	61	
Number of girls between the ages of seven and fourteen,	67	
Total,		128

TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

Upon receiving notice of several absentees from school, I visited the parents of such pupils and called their attention to the following law, Section 31, Chapter 496, Acts of 1898.

"Any person having under his control a child between seven and fourteen years of age who fails for five day sessions or ten half-day sessions within any period of six months while under such control, to cause such child to attend school as required by Section 12 of this Act, the physical condition of such child being not such as to render his attendance harmful or impracticable, upon complaint by a truant officer, and conviction thereof, shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than twenty dollars Any person who induces or attempts to induce any child to absent himself unlawfully, or employs or harbors while school is in session any child absent unlawfully from school shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars."

The parents in nearly all cases had given satisfactory reasons for non-attendance, and others agreeing to send their children, no complaint was entered.

L. M. HANFF,

Truant Officer.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The appropriations for the support of the schools for the year are herein recommended, as follows :

RAISE AND APPROPRIATE.

For teachers' salaries,	\$2,400 00
For conveyance of pupils,	850 00
For school supervision,	250 00
For fuel,	275 00

APPROPRIATED.

The State School Fund appropriation.

A part of the Dog Fund

All other moneys received by the Town for school tuition from whatever source.

Also the amount due from the State on account of the Superintendent's salary.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This day was observed by all the schools with appropriate exercises of a patriotic nature, and we are pleased to say the interest manifested by the children increases from year to year, indicating that future generations will be loyal to their country and ready to defend it at whatever cost.

OUR SUPERINTENDENT.

We were fortunate in uniting with the towns of Holden, Paxton and Oakham in forming a district with a sufficient number of schools entitling us to employ a superintendent according to law. At a notified meeting, the several committees of each town met in Rutland and unanimously elected Mr. Herbert J. Jones superintendent, his term of service commencing August 1, 1900. Mr. Jones has been with us only two terms, but his services have been most acceptable and appreciated by the teachers as well as by your committee. The scholars also have been pleased to see him at their work in the schoolroom. We are sure that the Town will be satisfied that no mistake has been made in voting to employ a Superintendent.

IN CONCLUSION.

Whatever improvement has been made in the condition of our schools the past year is due to the faithful services of the teachers, the co-operation of parents and their interest in the success of our schools together with the help of the Superintendent, to whom we extend our sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HUNTER,	} <i>School</i>
F. HATHAWAY,	
E. W. WARD.	

Committee.

WATER DEPARTMENT.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

The following is a statement of expenditures on account of construction to February 15, 1901:—

1900.

By unexpended balance, February 15, 1900,	\$68 62
Received from Water Loan,	\$3,000 00
Received from Interest on Deposit,	11 29
Received from Boston & Maine R. R. for hydrant,	25 00
Due from W. L. Reed for service connection,	25 00
Due from Treasurer,	20 64
Amount transferred from General Fund,	34 45
	\$3,185 00

1900.

Paid May 1, 1900, L. A. Taylor on contract,	\$2,000 00
Paid July 20, 1900, L. A. Taylor on contract,	800 00
Paid Aug. 1, 1900, L. A. Taylor on contract,	380 00
Paid Aug. 1, 1900, L. M. Hanff, expense on loan,	5 00
	\$3,185 00

W. T. BROWN,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT WATER DEPT.

The Water System has furnished an uninterrupted supply of pure water to all of its patrons for the past year. It has been extended, according to vote of the Town, one mile, to the farm of Henry B. Dean, by laying a 4-inch main with three hydrants at a cost of \$3,006, Mr. Dean having signed a contract to pay water rent equal to 4 per cent. on the cost of construction for ten years, provided there are not enough other patrons added to this line during that time to make his scheduled rate exceed that sum. Two long service connections have been made, one to the house of W. L. Reed of 250 feet and another to the house of J. S. Huntress of 500 feet. The house belonging to the estate of F. R. Foster has also been connected. While the Town has received water rent from these patrons only for a portion of this year it will receive a good income on the investment hereafter. A serious break in the water cylinder of the pumping engine was discovered in October, and immediately an order was given for a new one to be made. It required about twenty days' time to supply the new cylinder. Fortunately the Engineer was able to pump a supply during this time by exercising great care. This break not only involved a heavy expense to the Town, but great anxiety to the patrons and Water Commissioners. An auxiliary pump has been contracted for, and is expected soon to be put in place and connected for use, at a cost of about \$450 to the Town, the State bearing the other half of the cost. This will make a safe guarantee to the patrons of a water supply in case of any break in the old pump. The cost of maintenance of the pumping plant has been heavy this year, as shown by the financial statement, the break in the pump costing about \$350 and the high price of coal for the first part of the year increasing the expense of pumping very considerably. This may not be ex-

perienced again for many years, and we feel confident that another year will show the Water System to be more than self-supporting. The following is a summary of the amount of water in gallons pumped each month during the year :—

January,	1,915,342
February,	1,780,047
March,	2,077,699
April,	1,910,636
May,	2,028,286
June,	2,016,521
July,	2,242,409
August,	2,251,821
September,	2,464,767
October,	2,200,055
November,	2,190,643
December,	2,555,358

making a total of 25,633,584 gallons, against 16,626,298 gallons last year.

The patrons are cautioned about allowing the water to run to waste, and to report all leaks to the Superintendent. It has been ascertained that some of the patrons practice letting the water run during cold nights rather than to shut the water off in the cellar. This is not allowed by the rules and regulations governing the Water System, and it hoped that no one will needlessly allow any waste of water.

The Water Commissioners, in compliance with a vote of the Town, petitioned the Legislature last year for an Act to increase our Water Loan. This was introduced so late that it was referred to this present Legislature, when we trust it will be favorably acted upon, as many citizens are anxious to avail themselves of the privilege of becoming patrons whenever the main pipe can be extended.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND.

SUPPLIES.

- 60 feet 2-inch galvanized pipe.
- 125 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch galvanized pipe.
- 6 faucets.
- 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks.

1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch corporation cock.
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch ells.
 3 soldering nipples.
 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tees.
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions.
 1 lb. solder.
 4 service boxes.
 Approximate value, \$25.00.

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3 00
3 hammers,	2 50
1 spade,	75
1 grub axe,	1 00
3 drills,	1 75
4 lanterns,	2 00
1 broom,	50

\$11 50

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2-inch die plate,	\$6 00
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 80
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 50
2 W. I. wrenches for sidewalk shut-off,	3 83
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 26
1 1-inch tap,	94
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ inch and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch.	4 00
1 2-inch drill for ratchet,	90
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 20
1 1-inch drill,	53
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamers,	2 26
1 1-inch reamer,	94
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,	63
1 2-inch Stanwood cutter,	98
1 expander,	5 00
1 gate wrench	2 50
1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate with $2\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	4 12
1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,	3 40

1 Stillson wrench, 18 inch,	1 60
1 Stillson wrench, 24 inch,	2 40
2 pairs Brown's tongs	1 20
1 Coes' block wrench, 15 inch,	1 00
1 Wall vice,	8 10
1 Wall hinge vice,	3 00
2 Packer's sleeve ratchets,	4 05
1 iron crow,	9 60
1 2-inch Walworth cutter	1 46

\$76 20

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Paid interest on Water Loan,	\$990 00
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	315 62
Garfield & Proctor, coal,	249 81
W. A. Wheeler, wood,	36 00
E. E. Lawrence, wood,	41 00
Geo. S. Dixon, oil,	8 50
Geo. S. Clark & Co., oil,	50
Duncan & Goodell, supplies,	40
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	96 01
E. E. Lawrence, drawing water cylinders,	8 00
E. E. Lawrence, taking out and putting in cylinders	49 50
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	143 96
Knowles Steam Pump Works, water cylinder,	275 90
American Express Co., express,	95
H. M. Waite, solder,	1 00
E. E. Lawrence, engineer,	382 40
Washburn & Garfield, packing, etc.,	23 30
C. R. Bartlett, labor putting in cylinder,	4 00
Louis Ammell, inspecting boiler,	2 00

\$2,630 59

Dr.

Received from State Sanatorium, water rent for the year ending Jan. 1, 1901,	\$1,000 00
Received and due for water rent for the year ending January 1, 1900,	482 75
Due on account of 18 hydrants,	450 00
Due on account of supplying water, two tubs,	10 00
Due on account of supplying water to Public Building,	20 00
Due on account of wood and coal on hand,	125 00
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	\$2,087 75

Leaving a balance against the Town of \$542.84. This is fully accounted for by the cost of repairing the break in the pump and the extra cost of coal. The new coal shed will enable the Department to put in a year's supply of coal when it is the most favorable time to buy it.

Taking away from the credit account of the above financial statement the sum of \$990.75, paid for interest on Water Loan, and adding the following items: \$1,639 84

Paid Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe and fixtures,	258 78
Paid E. E. Lawrence, trenching and piping,	20 74
Paid Boston and Maine R. R., freight,	10 70
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Gives amount reported paid by order of the Selectmen, \$1,930 06

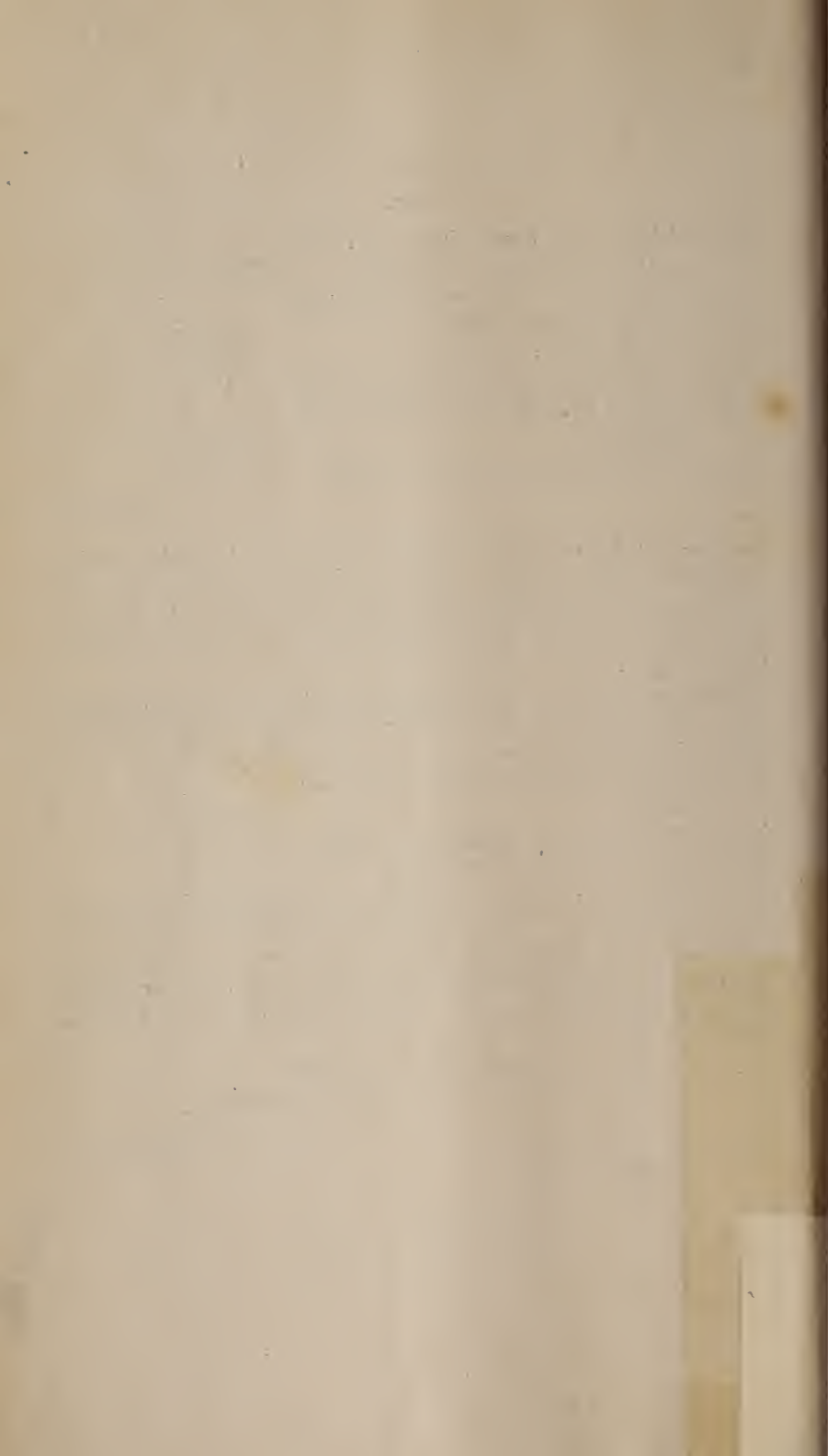
There is due from E. E. Lawrence \$124.62 for pipe and fixtures. The cost of making connections at the house of J. S. Huntress was \$100, and the cost to connect with the house of W. L. Reed was \$175.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,

Superintendent,

Rutland, Feb. 15, 1901.







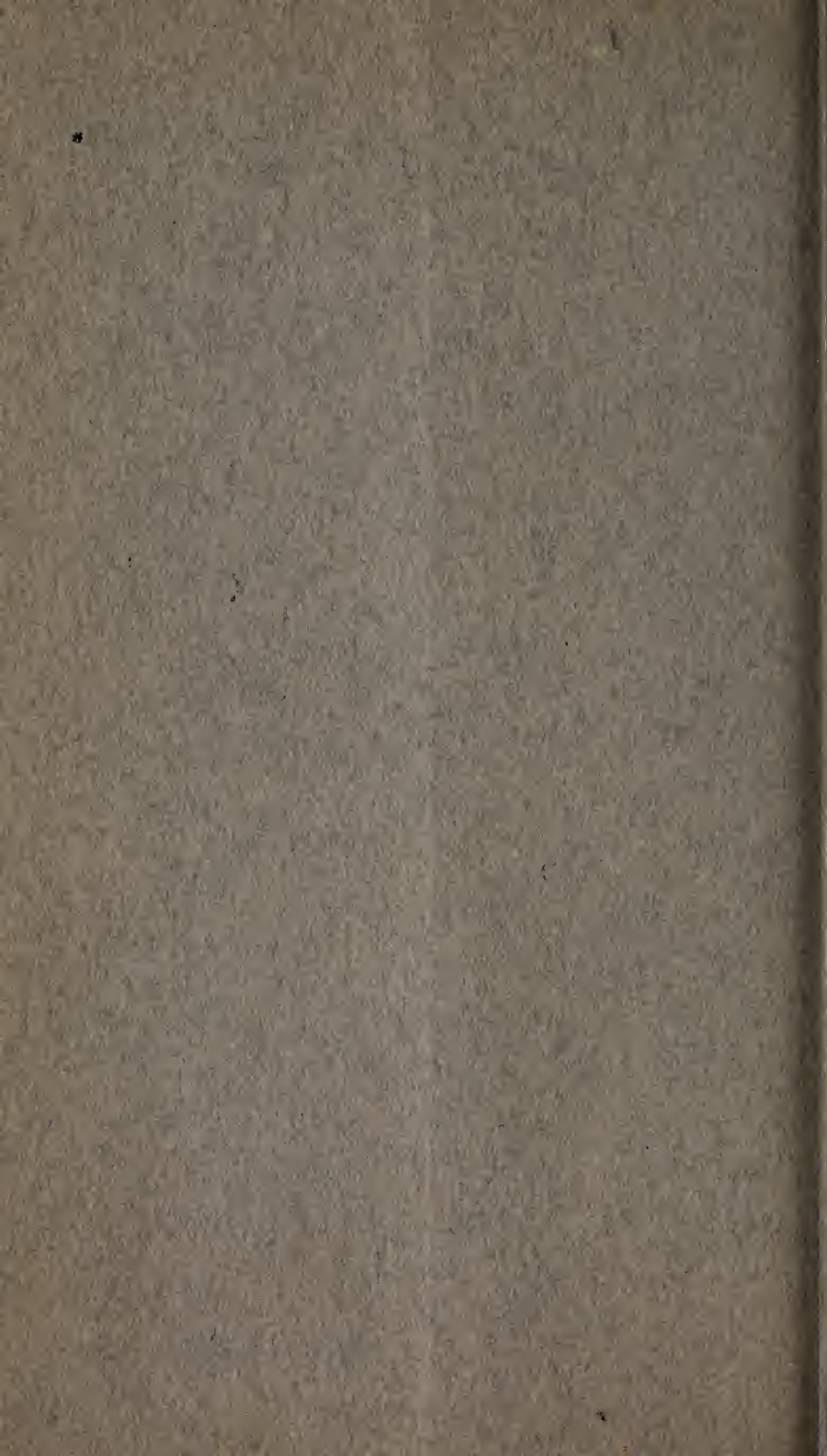
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THE CENTRAL WORCESTER SUPERINTENDENCY DISTRICT.

The School Committees of the towns of Rutland, Oakham, Paxton and Holden met in Damon Memorial, Holden, on Monday, July 16, 1900. Each town was represented by its full board.

It was unanimously voted that these towns should unite to form a district for the employment of a superintendent of schools, his services and salary to be shared as follows: Holden $\frac{5}{10}$, Rutland $\frac{2}{10}$, Oakham $\frac{2}{10}$, Paxton $\frac{1}{10}$. This was done under the provisions of chapter 466 of the Public Statutes of the year 1898. Walter A. Hunter of Rutland was elected chairman, and Mrs. Marion E. Warren of Holden was elected secretary of the joint district committee.

At an adjourned meeting held in the Town Hall in Rutland, on July 23, 1900, Herbert J. Jones of Sheffield, Mass, was unanimously elected superintendent of the district, and he began his work August 1, 1900.

MARION E. WARREN,

Holden, Feb. 21, 1900.

Secretary.

TOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEES,

With expiration of term.

HOLDEN: James S. Holden, chairman, 1903; Mrs. Marion E. Warren, secretary, 1901; Walter T. Howe, 1901; Frank J. Knowlton, 1902; Mrs. H. H. Holden, 1902; Mrs. G. S. Graham, 1903.

OAKHAM: Jesse Allen, chairman and secretary, 1903; H. W. Lincoln, 1901; Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, 1902.

PAXTON: Lewis S. Clapp, chairman, 1902; Mrs. E. P. Keep, secretary, 1903; Mrs. C. F. Flint, 1904.

RUTLAND: Walter T. Hunter, chairman, 1902; E. W. Ward, secretary, 1903; Dr. David T. Butler, Jr., 1904.

Superintendent's address: Holden, Mass.

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton and Rutland:

The first annual report of the superintendent of schools for the district formed by you last July, is herewith respectfully submitted.

Allow me to preface the report with a grateful acknowledgment of the loyalty and earnestness of the teachers of the district, of the pleasant relations already established with so many of the citizens of the towns, and of the confidence and support accorded me by yourselves. I trust that our united efforts may result in constant improvement in the work of the schools.

THE DISTRICT.

In connection with Leicester, the town of Holden had employed a superintendent for ten years. The other towns have newly taken advantage of the district superintendency law. As now constituted, the district is compact in its territory, of reasonable size, and on the whole, no better union of towns could well be formed in this part of the state.

There are thirty schools in the district, with thirty-three regular teachers and assistants. Holden employs seventeen teachers, Oakham five, Paxton three, and Rutland eight. Nine hundred forty-four pupils were enrolled since Sept. 1, 1900, of which number Holden had 530, Oakham, 98, Paxton, 73, and Rutland, 243. There are in the district ten buildings of one room each, four of two rooms, one of three rooms, one of four rooms, and one of five rooms, making seventeen buildings to be visited, with a distance between the extreme eastern and the extreme western buildings of about sixteen miles. I intend to visit each school twice every month.

ATTENDANCE.

The facts of attendance in the various schools are shown in the tables which follow.

Particular attention is called to the column headed "Per cent. for year." These figures show approximately the proportion of the school time and expenditure actually utilized by the attendance of pupils. The highest per cent., 97.3, was attained by the South school in Holden, and the lowest, 80.7, by the Grammar school in Paxton. Oakham has the best average per cent. of attendance, 92.8, and Paxton the lowest, 82.3. The attendance in the latter town was seriously affected by storms and by the illness of pupils.

The causes of absence just mentioned explain a part of the losses sustained in all the towns. But as Secretary Hill says:

There are scores of reasons assigned for the non-attendance of children at school that cannot, in any fairness, make the absence necessary. They are reasons that parents or pupils may readily overcome by a little extra pains, a little greater sturdiness, a little more self-denial, a little greater forethought, a little higher conception of duty.

It may not be amiss to mention that the law provides a fine of "not more than twenty dollars" for "any person having under his control a child between seven and fourteen years of age who fails for five day sessions, or ten half-day sessions, within any period of six months while under such control, to cause such child to attend school as required by section twelve of this act." Section twelve permits the superintendent, or teachers acting under his authority, to excuse "cases of *necessary* absence." In commenting on this matter Secretary Hill says:

It is neither the parents nor the children, but the school authorities that finally determine whether the absence is necessary or not. Therefore, the school authorities are legally entitled to know the reasons that exist for absence. Persons who ask that children be excused for absence are doubly bound by common courtesy and by implication of law, to say nothing of a certain consideration of the rights and welfare of others, to state the reason for so asking.

The most convenient means of conveying to the teacher the reason for absence, is a note to the teacher, sent at the time of the absence or immediately on the return of the absentee. I

STATISTICAL TABLES.

HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Terms. 1900-'01.	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Per cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
High School,	A. K. Learned, Prin., Lily E. Gunderson, Assistant.	Spring.	12	40.0	39.1	97.0		12
		Fall.	16	43.0	42.0	97.7		12
		Winter	12	41.0	39.0	95.0	96.5	9
Center Grammar,	Florence L. Boynton, Sadie Dexter,	Spring,	12	23.6	21.7	92.0		41
		Fall,	16	27.8	25.4	91.0		57
		Winter,	8	22.3	21.0	94.6	92.5	58
Center Primary,	Margery A. Rice, " "	Spring,	12	38.5	36.1	93.0		20
		Fall,	16	47.6	43.7	91.0		45
		Winter,	8	47.5	40.2	84.0	89.3	26
Jefferson High,	Edward B. Jones, Prin " "	Spring,	12	22.0	19.8	90.0		25
		Fall,	16	25.0	22.5	92.0		58
		Winter,	8	23.9	22.9	92.5	91.5	20
Jefferson, Room 4,	Clara K. Bacon, " "	Spring,	12	23.4	2.1	94.1		12
		Fall,	16	28.6	27.1	94.7		24
		Winter,	8	29.0	4.6	84.3	91.0	15
Jefferson, Room 3,	Helen C. Johnson, Florence G. Holden,	Spring,	12	42.6	38.2	91.7		8
		Fall,	16	53.6	49.6	92.3		41
		Winter,	8	54.2	45.6	81.7	88.5	41
Jefferson, Room 2,	Grace F. Mulcahy, " "	Spring,	12	35.3	33.2	94.8		20
		Fall,	16	30.8	29.2	94.9		16
		Winter,	8	30.1	26.3	87.6	92.4	15
Jefferson, Room 1,	Esther C. Hendricks, " "	Spring,	12	42.6	39.2	92.3		26
		Fall,	16	30.7	27.6	89.4		9
		Winter,	8	28.3	23.7	80.3	87.3	3
Chaffin's Grammar,	Florence L. Johnson, " "	Spring,	12	15.6	14.0	89.7		1
		Fall,	16	27.2	25.2	92.9		0
		Winter,	8	25.5	24.0	94.2	92.2	1
Chaffin's Primary,	Mabel C. Reid, " "	Spring,	12	29.0	27.3	93.1		4
		Fall,	16	22.1	18.7	84.3		4
		Winter,	8	19.7	17.9	88.1	88.5	1
Quinapoxet Grammar,	Eliz'eth C. Harrington G. Georgiana Gibbs, J. Ardelle Mann,	Spring,	12					
		Fall,	15	16.8	16.6	98.8		0
		Winter,	7.4	14.5	12.4	85.5	92.1	0
Quinapoxet Primary,	Jennie M. Childs, " "	Spring,	12	38.7	33.9	87.5		7
		Fall,	16	34.4	31.7	92.1		12
		Winter,	8	31.1	5.5	82.1	87.2	8
North Woods,	Margaret G. Fleming, " "	Spring,	12	19.7	18.9	96.0		12
		Fall,	16	20.0	19.6	98.0		11
		Winter,	8	16.5	12.2	73.0	89.0	4
Springdale,	A. Florence Kirby, " "	Spring,	12	17.0	16.4	91.9		1
		Fall,	15	23.0	22.4	86.0		7
		Winter,	9	24.0	21.1	85.0	87.6	0
Dawson's,	Agnes L. Drugan, " "	Spring,	12	20.5	18.9	92.6		3
		Fall,	16	24.7	23.5	94.9		16
		Winter,	8	21.7	21.1	97.0	94.8	0
South,	Sadie I. Packard, " "	Spring,	12	20.5	19.7	96.5		6
		Fall,	15	18.2	18.1	99.2		4
		Winter,	9	18.2	17.5	96.3	97.3	6
Unionville,	Alice E. Buck, (School Closed.)	Spring, Fall, Winter,	12	17.1	14.5	96.5		7

PAXTON.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Terms. 1900-'01.	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Per cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
Grammar,	{ John Jackson, Mary H. Dow,	Spring,	12	21.7	18.3	84.3	8.7	9
		Fall,	13	9.0	17.1	87.0		15
		Winter,	9	17.9	12.7	71.0		59
Intermediate,	{ M. Alice Converse, " "	Spring,	12	16.9	13.2	78.0	83.4	32
		Fall,	13	24.3	21.7	89.6		27
		Winter,	9	22.5	18.6	82.8		56
Primary,	{ Agnes Ballard, Rena Chadwick, " "	Spring,	12	27.1	24.8	91.9	82.8	10
		Fall,	13	20.9	18.0	85.7		29
		Winter,	9	16.6	12.4	74.0		62

OAKHAM.

Center Grammar,	{ Florence E. Bothwell, " "	Spring,	10	31.0	28.2	92.6	92.5	54
		Fall,	11	21.9	20.8	95.4		43
		Winter,	11	20.2	18.6	91.0		59
Center Primary,	{ Mrs. M. L. Woodis, Minnie M. Mellen,	Spring,	10	20.0	19.5	96.8	94.6	15
		Fall,	11	22.4	21.2	97.0		23
		Winter,	11	19.2	17.4	90.0		12
Coldbrook,	{ Minnie M. Mellen, Alice E. Buck, " "	Spring,	10	15.0	13.7	95.0	95.6	2
		Fall,	11	12.2	12.0	98.3		2
		Winter,	8	1.9	10.2	93.		2
South,	{ Millicent Parker, Alice Dwelley,	Spring,	10	10.0	9.8	94.0	89.6	1
		Fall,	11	13.0	12.2	93.0		4
		Winter,	11	1.4	8.4	81.0		14
West,	{ Lillian G. Harrington, Mabel A. Sawyer, Julia M. Barnard,	Spring,	10	14.0	13.0	96.0	91.7	6
		Fall,	11	14.9	14.4	96.0		14
		Winter,	11	14.5	12.0	83.3		58

RUTLAND.

High School,	{ Arthur A. Heald, Frank P. Ayer, " "	Spring,	11	30.0	29.0	97.4	91.1	8
		Fall,	11	21.4	19.5	92.1		38
		Winter,	10	23.6	20.7	83.7		51
Center Grammar,	{ C. M. Teague, Jennie B. Burnham, " "	Spring,	11	39.0	32.9	84.5	85.8	20
		Fall,	11	42.8	40.1	93.6		54
		Winter,	10	42.9	36.0	83.3		31
Center Intermediate,	{ Jennie B. Haskell, " "	Spring,	11	35.1	31.8	90.0	89.0	34
		Fall,	11	35.2	32.9	93.4		20
		Winter,	10	35.4	29.6	83.7		32
Center Primary,	{ Helen H. Jaques, " "	Spring,	11	38.4	31.9	83.0	82.1	58
		Fall,	11	51.2	45.0	88.3		73
		Winter,	10	43.1	33.8	78.0		41
North Rutland,	{ Jennie B. Burnham, Grace E. Damon, " "	Spring,	11	24.0	21.0	87.5	82.0	10
		Fall,	11	26.7	21.8	81.8		21
		Winter,	10	26.8	20.5	76.6		28
West Rutland,	{ Ida D. A. Jocoy, Lucy M. Grant, " "	Spring,	11	23.0	20.5	89.0	88.0	20
		Fall,	11	23.0	21.1	91.0		22
		Winter,	10	20.7	17.5	84.0		21

shall ask the teachers to indicate on the register in the case of each absence, whether it is excused as being "necessary" or not, and to state the facts in the regular monthly report to the superintendent.

It is recognized that a large proportion of parents realize the necessity of regular and punctual attendance at school, and are glad to make the needed effort to secure it on the part of their children. I appeal to all parents to give the school "the right of way," and to make the children feel that during the school age, going to school is their *business*. Besides greatly increasing the efficiency of the school, punctuality and regularity enforced through a series of years will tend to fix a habit most valuable in mature life.

Many towns in the state report a per cent. of attendance of 95 or above, and the average for the whole state is 92. I ask all parents to co-operate with the teachers in the effort to greatly raise our standing during the coming year.

FINANCIAL COMPARISONS.

The sixty-fourth report of the Board of Education, recently issued, contains the usual graduated tables, showing certain facts regarding the 353 towns of the state, and the rank of each town with respect to these facts. One of the tables shows the per cent. of its valuation which each town appropriates to its schools, and another the amount of money appropriated for each child included in the average membership. In the first table, West Boylston stands first with \$11.09 to the thousand of valuation, and Gosnold at the foot of the list with \$.76. In the second table, Weston is at the head, spending for each child \$52.365, and Gay Head at the bottom, spending \$3.207. The average ratio of valuation spent for schools in the state is \$3.62 per thousand, and the average sum spent per child is \$26.08. The facts regarding the towns of this district are shown below:

	HOLDEN.	OAKHAM.	PAXTON.	RUTLAND.
Taxation for schools per thousand of valuation,	\$7.34	\$3.67	\$4.49	\$5.41
Rank in state,	13	277	210	110
Appropriated per child of average membership,	\$19.179	\$12.276	\$25.75	\$16.016
Rank in state,	200	322	60	261

The inequalities of taxation and expenditure apparent in this table are further illustrated by the fact that Weston, which spends \$52.365 per child, taxes itself but \$2.91 per thousand for schools.

"Wealth taxing itself lightly for the best the market affords, and poverty taxing itself heavily for such humble things as it can get," is the way Secretary Hill characterizes the present situation.

I give space to this matter here in hope of aiding a little the movement for a rectification of the disproportionate school burdens of the towns. At the same time it should be noted that the rank of our towns in both the particulars specified in the table, shows that our own school burdens are by no means excessive as compared with those of other towns.

THE SCHOOL AS A BUSINESS ENTERPRISE.

In maintaining the free public schools and compelling the attendance of every child between the ages of seven and fourteen, the towns and the Commonwealth have in view certain definite results. The investment is expected to yield returns. Besides the money value of the school "plant," and the amounts devoted to running expenses, there is the far more valuable investment of the time and energy of the children during the precious growing period. The training and the teaching, the study and the recitation, together with the personal influence of the teacher, are the chief means by which the investment of money and of child-time and child-energy is made to pay dividends in the shape of knowledge and power in the minds of the pupils. Returns of this kind cannot be expressed in figures preceded by the dollar sign, but they are none the less real, and can be determined by those who know how to do it. As in other enterprises, profits are increased through the use of better appliances, the prevention of waste of material, and the development of greater interest and skill on the part of the workers. Supervision has a place in the scheme similar to that which it has in other fields. Note another quotation from Secretary Hill:

By as much as human minds and souls transcend in value the products of human hands, by so much does the need of the schools for competent supervision transcend the need of the factory. No sane

corporation would let its workshop drift, and no sane community should let its schools drift, without a directing and unifying head.

I have tried, through the teachers' meeting and other means, to impress upon teachers this *business* view of our school work. We should expect and secure adequate and increasing returns from the expenditures. Teachers must not, through lack of preparation or vigorous teaching, take two class periods in which to do the work of one. Pupils must not be allowed, through lack of stimulus or definite direction, to waste time and effort. Teachers must have clear aims, and pursue them thoughtfully and with energy. The school-room should have an air of *business*, and the close of every school day should show a favorable balance of profit. With good teachers, co-operation on the part of parents, and careful and inspiring supervision, the school enterprise can be made to pay large and increasing dividends.

THE COMMON SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

Mr. George H. Martin, the veteran Boston supervisor, in an article in the current number of the *Educational Review*, so admirably summarizes the results expected from the teaching of the subjects required by law that I take the liberty of transferring his words to these pages:

The aim of the Commonwealth now is that every child on arriving at the leaving age, shall be able to read at sight good English as found in standard and current literature, and to express his thoughts in writing, legibly, grammatically, and with correct spelling; that he shall be able, with promptness and accuracy, to perform the ordinary operations with numbers, and to apply these in the every-day transactions of business life; that he shall know something of the earth on which he lives, its productions, its people and their relation to each other; especially of his own country, its position and extent, its natural advantages and resources, its industries, its productions and their distribution, its political and business centers; that besides the geography of his country he shall know its history, the story of its development from the feeble germ in the early colonies to its present greatness, including in this a knowledge of the government under which he lives, and of the steps by which, and the cost at which, his civil freedom has been obtained; that he shall have a general knowledge of the structure of his own body, the various systems and their functions and how to care for them, and shall be especially impressed with a sense of the dangers to health in the use of alcoholic drinks, stim-

ulants and narcotics; that he shall have learned some principles of drawing which will be useful in the mechanic arts, and shall have acquired some skill in applying them.

If knowing "something of the earth on which he lives" be made to include a knowledge of what exists and is going on in that part of the earth on which the child's feet tread and which his eyes daily behold, the above statement includes all the subjects which our elementary schools seriously attempt to teach. There are limitations which prevent complete success, even in this moderate field, but the statement broadly outlines the aims of your teachers and superintendent as well as the Commonwealth.

THE "THREE R's."

There are certain lines of work now common in cities and large towns which conservative people have denominated "fads and frills," and which it is claimed have received attention at the expense of the "essentials"—reading, writing and arithmetic. I find that these latter subjects, rightly called essential, are taught none too well in our schools. However it may be elsewhere, the deficiency here cannot be charged to a diversion of effort toward the "fads and frills."

In my supervisory work thus far, I have devoted special attention to the "three R's." Reading will form a leading topic for discussion at the teachers' meetings to be held early next term, to which, by the way, all interested are invited. Preparatory to the meeting, I have placed in the hands of the teachers a series of questions as a guide in study. I insert here the questions on reading, as an illustration of the way in which teachers should study every subject they teach:

Reading. How do you define reading? Distinguish two kinds. What is the essential thing in each? What is the main act of the child's mind in learning to read? Which of the various "methods" do you prefer, and why? What is the place of phonic drill in teaching to read?

Describe good *oral* reading. Is the art of good oral reading declining? If so, what is the cause and the remedy? What special devices or methods can you recommend from your experience as helping to secure good reading?

Why do we teach reading? Can the schools do anything toward forming *taste* in reading? What suggestion can you give toward this end? What do you think of this statement: "Only those children who *like to read* ever become good readers."? If true, what is its bearing on our work?

Two styles of vertical writing are used in the district, more than two-thirds of the pupils being taught the round-hand style published by Ginn & Co. Success varies with the skill and persistence of the teacher, but it is demonstrated that a legible handwriting may be more easily acquired in the new style than when the older Spencerian forms were used.

In regard to methods of teaching arithmetic, the Committee of Ten declared that a radical change was necessary, and the Committee of Fifteen agreed, the latter claiming that five years are sufficient for the study. "The Psychology of Number" was published, and has largely influenced the theory and practice of teachers. Many text-books on new lines have recently appeared, all claiming to solve the difficulties which undoubtedly face all thoughtful teachers in their efforts to secure adequate returns for the large amount of time devoted to the subject.

As a result of my own experience in teaching, and of my study of the subject for many years, I have reached certain conclusions which I consider fundamental to the best results. These conclusions I have tried to incorporate into the thinking and the school-room practice of the teachers. When such incorporation has become more nearly complete, I feel certain that arithmetic will be a more valuable subject, both as a means for the development of mental power, and as a preparation for the demands of practical business.

TEACHERS.

Good buildings, good text-books and appliances, good supervision, are all needed for the highest success of the schools. But with these things a school may fail, and without them it may succeed. The *essential* factor in a good school is a good teacher. To secure and retain the services of such teachers is, therefore, the most important duty of school officials.

The teachers now in service in this district vary widely in natural capacity, in preparation for their work, and in length of

experience. I believe they have a common characteristic in the desire for growth and improvement through study and thoughtful effort. When a teacher by these means increases her value to the town employing her, she may rightfully expect to have such increase of value recognized by increased compensation. In the absence of such recognition, the town may usually expect to lose the services of its growing and ambitious teachers.

As regards preparation of the teachers of the district for their work, three have failed to complete any secondary course of study, eighteen are graduates of high schools, of which number four have also had work in a city training class; eight are graduates of Massachusetts normal schools, and four of colleges. In filling future vacancies, I strongly recommend that college graduates be preferred for the high schools, and normal graduates for the other positions.

In Massachusetts graduation from a normal school means that the graduate has added to a four years' course in an approved high school at least two years of professional training, including actual practice in teaching. Such professional training by no means guarantees success, but it does create a strong presumption that those who have had it will make better teachers than those of equal ability who have not had it.

Since I began my work here, eight normal graduates have been secured for vacancies in the district. I have found the normal school principals with whom I have consulted very frank in regard to the merits and weaknesses of candidates about whom inquiry was made, and I have consequently learned to rely on their judgment. It is worthy of note that the proportion of normal graduates employed in the state has risen from 27.3 per cent. of all the teachers in 1890, to 36.1 per cent. last year. The proportion on our force is 24.2 per cent.

CLASSIFICATION AND PROMOTION.

In all the towns I found the pupils classified by yearly grades. According to the lists handed me by the teachers, the distribution among the grades is approximately as shown below:

	ELEMENTARY GRADES.									HIGH SCHOOL.				TOTAL.
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	I	II	III	IV	
Holden.	95	85	83	54	43	34	31	27	—	19	17	—	9	497
Oakham.	13	5	5	13	19	—	15	3	—					73
Paxton.	4	12	6	9	6	9	6	6	6					64
Rutland.	26	30	19	38	20	16	20	15	—	4	8	12	—	208

When it is clear that any individual pupil is capable of doing advanced work, it is intended to promote him at any time. On the other hand, if it should be seen that a pupil can get more good in a lower grade, he will be transferred to that grade.

The annual promotions in June will be made on the basis of the teacher's judgment of the character of the regular work of her pupils during the year, considered together with the standings attained on the superintendent's examination.

Frequent reports of the character of the work of all pupils above the fifth grade are sent to parents. It is expected that all pupils from the seventh grade through the high school shall do more or less home study, as the mastery of their lessons may require. Parents are requested to give the school the "right of way" in this matter as well as in that of attendance, by providing time and opportunity for the necessary home study.

THE TOWNS IN PARTICULAR.

Holden. The town is peculiarly fortunate in the provision made in the Damon Memorial for housing its high school, and in being able to retain for so many years the services of its present able principal. Mr. Learned hands me the following:

HIGH SCHOOL REPORT.

Mr. Herbert J. Jones,
Superintendent of Schools.

By your request, we submit the following statement in regard to the present condition of the high school, and a few suggestions concerning its requirements in the immediate future.

There are three classes in this school. The diversity in the ability to acquire and the ambition to obtain an education, noticeable in every school, is very marked in this school. This evident condition

under the present circumstances, is the most serious problem confronting us.

As to the character of the work pursued, we aim to secure thoroughness in details, recognizing the value of constant effort in this direction in securing the mastery of essentials. We maintain that a few branches well taught and thoroughly studied, so far as an advance is made in them, give better results in obtaining power to meet the demands of life than many hastily gone over without attention to such details.

The people of Holden are anxious to realize all the benefits which an electric road to Worcester will afford. Let them look to the condition of their schools as of prime importance in securing these benefits, and to the condition of no other school with more solicitude than to the high school.

By raising the standard of admission, thus providing not only those pupils who cannot enter the high school with a better preparation than heretofore for active life, but also rendering it possible for those who do enter, to begin with regular high school work, and to pursue it with proficiency, because of better equipment and maturer minds; by furnishing with apparatus certain departments which are now meagrely equipped for even superficial results; by providing a third teacher, by whose aid two courses of study could be carried along, thus allowing a little latitude for choice in respect to studies, and thus retaining the pupils who, under the present arrangements, feel it necessary to prepare for college in other schools, and by whose withdrawal the standard and enthusiasm of the school are lowered and sensibly depreciated;—by these means Holden can offer educational inducements to those seeking country homes. But, if these inducements are not offered, prospective citizens will consider that the expenditure of strength, time, carfare and tuition to secure the superior training of city schools, outweighs the other advantages of the country.

Respectfully submitted,

ALONZO KNAPP LEARNED,

Principal.

LILY ELNORA GUNDERSON,

Assistant.

The course of study in the high school, as Mr. Learned suggests, is limited in its scope, owing to the fact that but two teachers are employed. The most desirable extension of the course is in the line of history and science. The practicability of more work in these lines, even under present conditions, is worthy of consideration. Apparatus for the course in physics, the only science course now offered, is particularly needed.

Mr. Learned has very generously provided out of his own funds from time to time apparatus to the value of more than a hundred dollars, which he offers to present to the town. I recommend that \$50 be appropriated for additions to this collection, to serve immediate needs.

The standard of admission to the high school has evidently been a varying one, as perhaps was proper. An attempt has been made in some previous years to maintain a ninth grade in the grammar schools, the work of which should be a review of certain elementary subjects, together with making a beginning in some advanced studies. Owing to the fact that the teachers of such a grade must teach several other grades at the same time, the attempt, I judge, has not been wholly successful. There seems to be no place in the town where all ninth-grade pupils can be gathered for instruction, unless it be at the high school rooms. With the class gathered there and a third teacher employed, it would be possible to maintain and properly instruct a ninth grade, preparatory to the regular high school course.

It is proper to state that there is no ninth-grade work now being done, and that there is no third-year class in the high school. The committee have under consideration the question as to what shall be done next year with those pupils who complete satisfactorily the work of the eighth grade. Full conferences have been held with the high school teachers and with the superintendent, and the committee will doubtless decide the question in accordance with the best interests of all concerned.

The changes in the teaching force of the town during the year will be seen in the statistical table, and were fortunately few. Miss Gibbs, of the Grammar school at Quinapoxet, was absent during the winter term on account of severe illness, but is expected to return for the spring term.

No changes in the text-books have been made since my term began, though the use of the Walsh Arithmetic, Part I, has been extended to the third grade. With the approval of the committee, I have withdrawn from use a large number of old books which are completely worn out. I estimate that at least \$150

will be required for replacing these books, and for completing other sets now insufficient. In the purchase and distribution of books and school supplies, it is my purpose to observe strict economy, and to secure a dollar's worth of value for every dollar expended.

The buildings at Springdale, North Woods, Dawson, and the South District need new paint and paper, in fact, a thorough interior renovation. New blackboards and a new floor are pressing needs at Dawson.

The new desks and seats purchased by the town in recent years have been of the adjustable pattern, which contribute greatly to the health and comfort of those who occupy them. The desks in the higher room at Jefferson, and in the Center primary room, are in so many cases a very uncomfortable misfit that a change to the adjustable style is extremely desirable. In the higher room at Chaffin's, the furniture is old and loose, and should be replaced with new. I trust the voters may provide the committee with funds sufficient for these improvements.

Half of my time has been devoted to the schools of Holden. I have found the teachers efficient and progressive, and the schools showing plainly the good work of my predecessors in the office of superintendent. We hope to retain the good already gained, and to add still further to the value of the schools of the town.

Oakham. Two days in two weeks is this town's share of the superintendent's services. Fifty-six visits have been made to the schools, and three teachers' meetings held, two of them on Saturdays. The teachers are heartily commended for the earnestness and intelligence with which they have co-operated in all efforts for progress.

Miss Minnie M. Mellen was transferred in September from Coldbrook to the Center primary. The school at Coldbrook was closed early in the winter, as the teacher wished to re-enter the Worcester Normal School to complete her course. The spring term will open March 11, three weeks earlier than the other schools, with Miss Alice Fliteroft, a graduate of the

Framingham Normal School, in charge. Miss Millicent Parker, of the South school, was granted leave of absence for the winter term on account of illness, and Miss Alice Dwelley supplied her place. Miss Parker has decided not to return, and Miss Dwelley will continue for the spring term. Miss Sawyer, at the West school, accepted a better position at the close of the fall term, and Miss Julia M. Barnard, a Framingham graduate, was secured. The Center grammar school remains in charge of Miss Florence E. Bothwell.

The town's present school year is 32 weeks, the lowest legal limit. Let me present a suggestion in the words of Secretary Hill:

If towns plan for precisely thirty-two weeks' schooling, they expose themselves to a pretty strong likelihood of running short of that length. Would it not be wiser for them to add a margin of a week or two for contingencies? A generous margin thus added would still leave them several weeks behind the state average. (Nine months, nine days.)

As will be seen from the tables, the chief need of the schools is more children to attend them. The regular attendance of most of those who belong brings the per cent. of the year up to 92.8 per cent., the best in the district.

Very favorable rates of exchange were secured for a surplus lot of new readers owned by the town. A set of excellent supplementary reading-books was thus obtained at slight cost. The primary geography used for some years has been exchanged for Frye's Elements of Geography, to the great improvement of work in that subject.

The lack of a complete, well graded series of text-books in arithmetic has formerly hindered the best results in that important subject. The Werner series has now been adopted, and the first book has been in use for a few weeks in the fourth and fifth grades. It will be followed by the other books of the series as the classes reach them. Some characteristics of this series are its careful gradation, so that each page prepares for the next, the large number of practical, every-day business problems, and the insistence throughout that the pupil shall "think his own way" through the course. The author holds that

all arithmetic should be "mental," whether it is at the same time "written" or not. The teachers using the book are agreed as to its superior merits.

The town's valuation makes it eligible to receive aid from the state for the increase of salaries of teachers of "exceptional ability," in accordance with the provisions of chapter 408, Acts of 1896, as amended in 1897. It is proposed to take advantage of these provisions with a view to retaining teachers of proved efficiency, who without the increased salary might leave us. One application for an increase has already been made.

I was pleased to find still surviving in this town the good old New England custom of "Examination Day." I trust that the committee and the people may continue the plan of visiting and inspecting the schools on that day, and add to such visits many more at other times.

The superintendent invites the closest scrutiny of his work, hoping that it may be found to justify the vote of the town, last year, to adopt the system which legislative authority has since made universal and permanent.

Paxton. One day in ten has been spent with the pupils and teachers of this town. At about half of my visits I have met the teachers after school for consultation regarding our work and the discussion of plans for improvement. Our united efforts have brought about considerable progress, which we hope to increase in the coming months. I have elsewhere spoken of the teachers now in the schools, and have commended their efficient services.

Like Oakham, this town is eligible to receive reimbursement from the state for advances in the salaries of teachers. One application for an increase has already been approved by the Board of Education, after a personal visit, by one of its agents, Mr. J. W. McDonald.

In the town report, I have spoken of the excellent building provided for the consolidated schools. I am glad to learn that the town has voted to replace the defective basement floor, and I trust the committee may have funds sufficient to finish the school-room walls and to improve the blackboards. For

the latter purpose, natural slate is probably the best material, and, in the long run, the cheapest.

The storms of the winter, together with illness of pupils, have seriously affected the attendance. It is hoped that parents, pupils and teachers will make a united effort to recover as much as possible of the losses sustained.

No changes in text-books have thus far been recommended. It will be advisable soon, however, to select a new series in arithmetic and language, as the present books are badly worn and deficient in number.

As the town sends its high school pupils to Worcester, we endeavor to conform to the Worcester course of study in the higher grades. A class of six are now trying to complete the ninth grade work, preparatory to the Worcester examination.

Rutland. During the summer vacation the committee selected a new high school principal and his assistant, as well as new teachers for North and West Rutland. The teacher chosen for North Rutland resigned after five weeks' service, and the teacher named in the table was secured for the vacancy. The primary room at the Center became so large that an assistant was necessary, and Miss Ruth Butterfield was engaged to act in that capacity. During the illness for several weeks of Miss Haskell, her place was acceptably supplied by Mrs. W. C. Temple.

I have averaged a visit to each school once a fortnight, and have held four teachers' meetings, two of them on Saturdays. I have found the teachers of Rutland energetic and faithful, and excellent work is being done.

No class was admitted to the high school at the opening of the fall term, the standard having been raised one year. Pupils will hereafter be required to complete satisfactorily the eight-year elementary course before being promoted to the high school. The work done in the grammar grades is increasing both in amount and quality, and the close of the year will show a decided advance all along the line. It will soon be practicable to confine the high school instruction to those subjects usually considered of secondary grade.

At my request for a brief statement regarding his work, Mr. Ayer hands me the following:

RUTLAND HIGH SCHOOL.

It has been the aim of the teachers to attain results both sound and progressive, to have the work practical and thorough. Great stress has been laid on written work, good expression being demanded. We have tried to have all oral recitations clear and concise.

Rhetoricals and spelling have been required of the whole school. In the languages, we are striving to give the students a concise and thorough knowledge of the elements of Latin and French, in order to secure accuracy in translation and an appreciation of the classic masterpieces which may be required of them in the latter part of their course.

The principal's assistant, Miss Edith Brown, has taken the eighth grade in two subjects in addition to her work in the high school.

The only new books purchased have been two sets for supplementary reading in intermediate grades, and the Werner Arithmetic, Book I, for the fourth grade, which formerly had no book in arithmetic. The complete introduction of the Werner series is proposed. A characterization of these books will be found in the Oakham notes.

A set of rules for the care and management of the new building and its grounds has been adopted by the committee, and posted for the guidance of pupils and teachers. It is hoped that during the coming season more work may be done toward securing appropriate surroundings for this building in the shape of lawns and shrubbery. The teachers are ready to co-operate in caring for both building and grounds. In this connection let me say that the renovation of the interior of both the other school buildings of the town would add greatly to their appearance and to the comfort of the pupils.

The superintendent is pleased to note the approval of his work expressed by the committee in their recent report, and hopes it may continue to merit such approval.

CONCLUSION.

Chapter 248, Acts of 1900, makes it obligatory upon the school committees of towns and cities of the state after July 1, 1902, to

employ a superintendent who "under the direction and control of the committee, shall have the care and supervision of the public schools." All details regarding his powers and duties are left entirely to the committee. In a special report on Supervision of Schools, prepared by State Agent John T. Prince, and published by the Board of Education, the following advisory statement is given:

The powers and duties of a superintendent should consist mainly of matters directly relating to the teaching and training of children, including (1) advisory power with respect to the building and alteration of school-houses, the selection of equipments, the adoption of a course of studies, the election and dismissal of teachers and the expulsion of pupils; (2) full power with respect to the choice of apparatus and supplies, the preparation of course of studies, the nomination of teachers, the filling of temporary vacancies in the teaching force, the supervision of teachers' work, the calling and conducting of teachers' meetings and the classification and promotion of pupils.

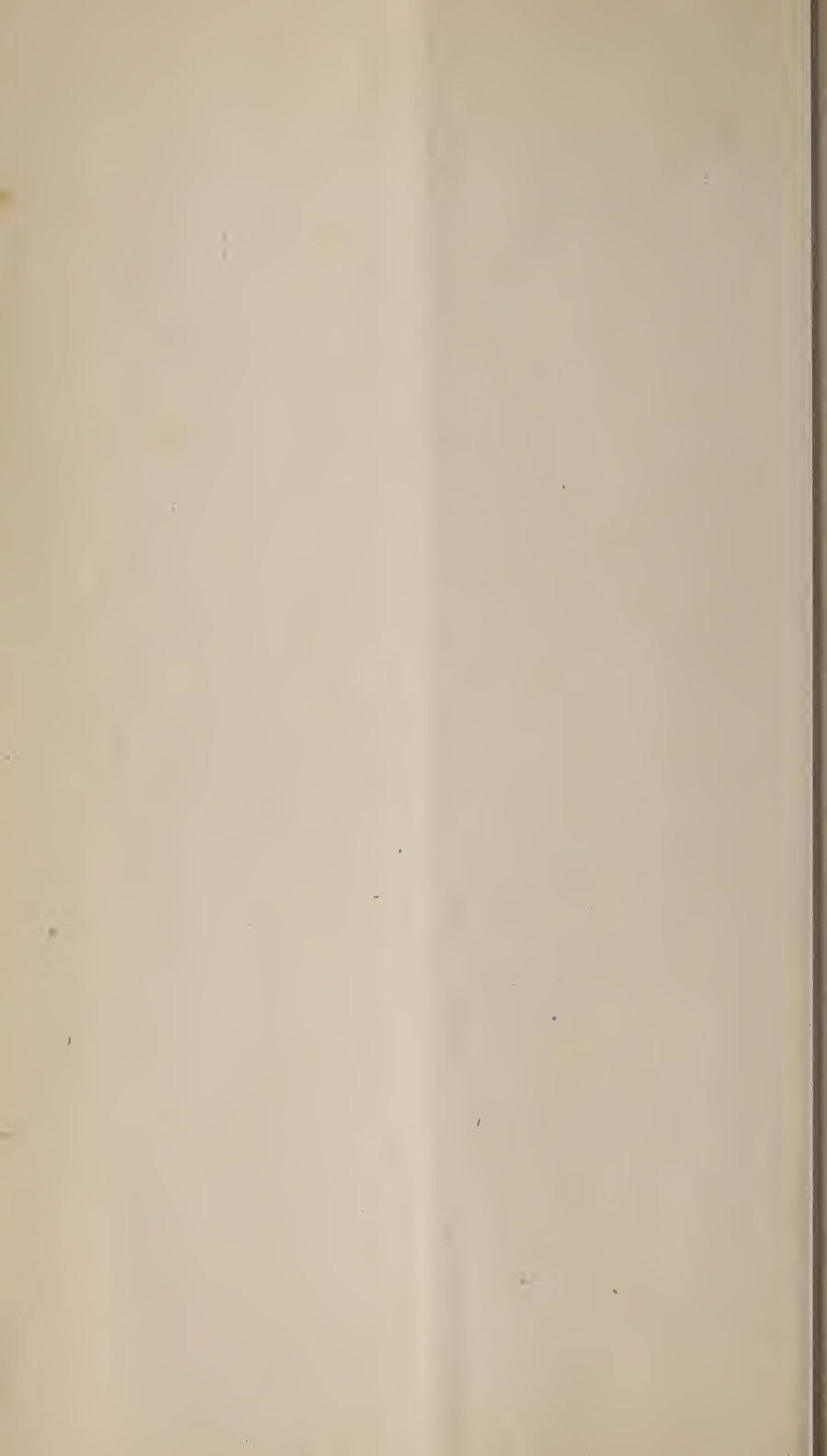
In the absence of definite instructions from the committees, I have assumed the above as a general outline of what has been expected from me. I thank the various committees for the opportunities of frequent consultation with them, and for the help their counsel has given.

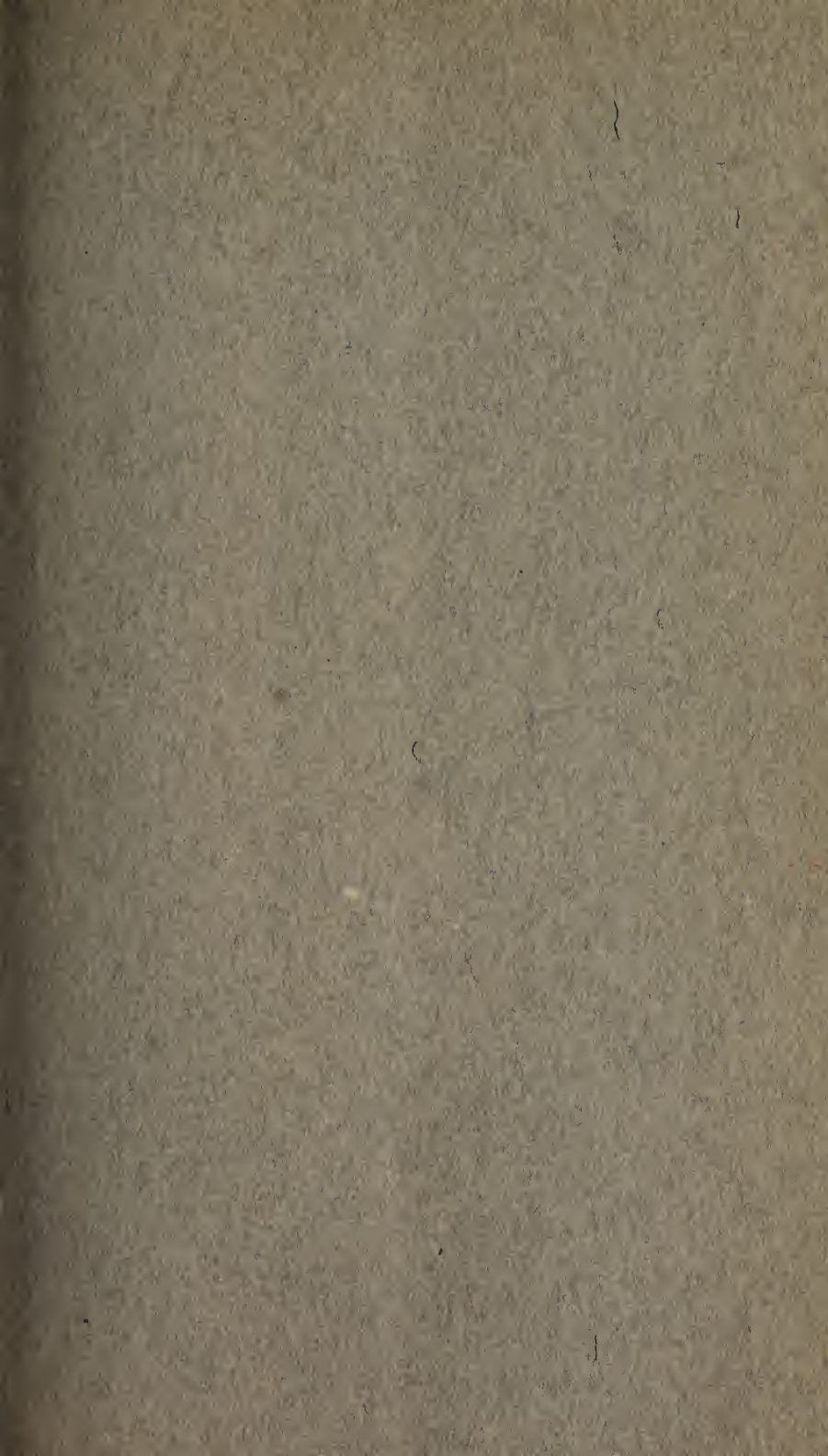
I trust that in the future as in the past there may be entire harmony of aims and the most helpful co-operation among parents, teachers, the superintendent, and the committee in furthering the most important interest of our communities, "the teaching and training of children."

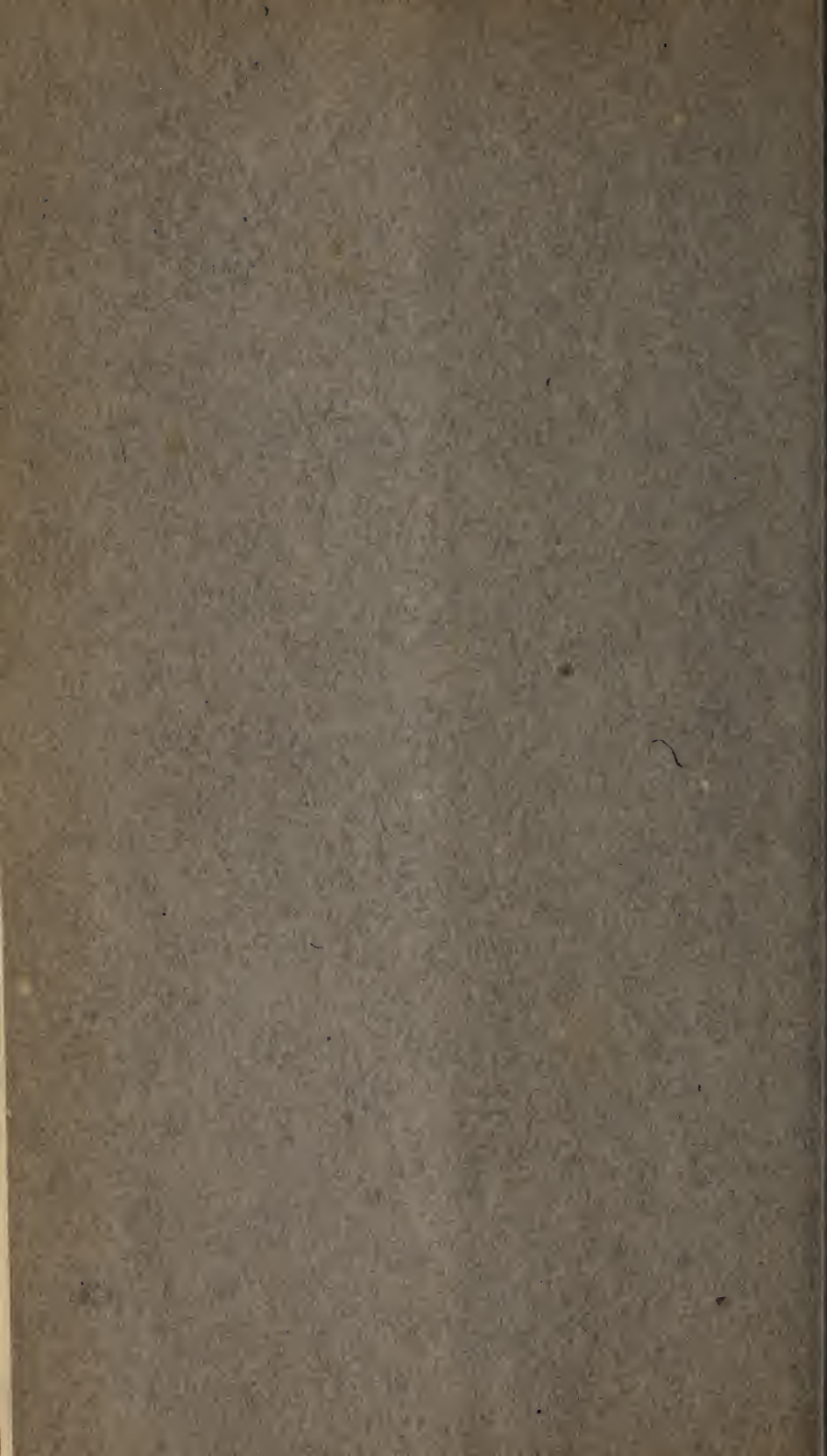
Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES,
Superintendent of Schools.

March 9, 1901.







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TOWN OFFICERS.

MODERATOR,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

SELECTMEN,
C. R. BARTLETT, T. S. HEALD. H. E. WHEELER.

ASSESSORS,
W. C. TEMPLE, GEO. S. PUTNAM, E. H. CROSBY.

OVERSEERS OF POOR,
HENRY A. KENNAN, W. C. TEMPLE. WM. H. MAYNARD.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
W. A. HUNTER, E. W. WARD, DAVID P. BUTLER.

WATER COMMISSIONERS,
C. R. BARTLETT, W. T. BROWN, W. A. WHEELER.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE,
WM. C. TEMPLE, MRS. G. B. MUNROE, MRS. L. Q. SPAULDING.

CONSTABLES.
L. M. HANFF, J. W. MOULTON, M. A. PUTNAM.
FRED B. STEARNS, M. D. POTTER.

TREE WARDEN,
FRANKLIN HATHAWAY.

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

AUDITOR,
HOBART D. SMITH.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

To J. WARREN MOULTON, Constable of the Town of Rutland, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the thirty-first day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk for one year ; for three Selectmen for one year ; for three Assessors for one year ; for three Overseers of Poor for one year ; a Town Treasurer for one year ; a Collector of Taxes for one year ; five Constables for one year ; an Auditor for one year ; one member of the School Committee for three years ; one member of the Water Commissioners for three years ; one Trustee of Public Library for three years ; a Surveyor of Highways for one year ; for three members

of the Board of Health, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year ; a Tree Warden for one year ; and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town." All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The Polls will be opened at ten o'clock A. M., and may be closed at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

ART. 5. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer of the Town to borrow money for the use of the Town, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see if the Treasurer of the Town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.

ART. 8. To see what sums of money the Town shall raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools ; for repairs of Highways and Bridges ; for the support of Poor ; for State and Military Aid ; for use on Memorial Day ; for transportation to and from the Public Schools ; for Contingent Expenses and Paying Debts.

ART 9. To see what action the Town will take to have the Public Building and Hose House taken care of.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday Law against Hunting and Fishing.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to abate any Taxes in the hands of the Collector.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to make an appropriation for the Water Department on account of Hydrant Service.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to pay for Co-operative Surety on the Bonds of its Bonded Officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote to give the Rural Cemetery Association the free use of water for their Fountain, or act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote a sum of money for the improvement of New Boston Cemetery or act thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will vote to extend its Water System, and accept of the Act of 1901, relative to an increase of Water Loan.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will vote to put doors into the coal bin from outside of building and protect from storms the entrance to School part of Public Building, or act anything thereon.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, to pay notes coming due the coming year.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Board of Health with regard to Contagious Diseases, or act thereon.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, to be used in connection with allotments made by State, for regrading Pound Hill and some portion of the hill leading into Center from the East, or act thereon.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to Widen the North or Hubbardston Road, or act thereon.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote a sum of money, not exceeding one cent for every one hundred dollars of its valuation toward the statue in memory of the Soldiers of Worcester County and General Devens.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting Attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of said Town. One at each Post Office, and one at the Congregational Church in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereby, fail not to make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Seventeenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and two.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

For the Year Ending March 1, 1902.

We have paid the Holden Town Farm Association, at a
cost of \$1.98 per week, for each inmate.

Net expense of indoor poor,	\$206 46
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OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid Mrs. Charles White, for Hannah Martin,	\$52 00
Mrs. E. A. Kennan, for Henry C. Clark,	33 00
City of Worcester for Mary Gabree,	7 85
Mrs. Reed, for Arthur Mundell,	75
Dr. Dion, for Arthur Mundell,	22 00
Town of Hubbardston, for Carrie Chickering.	2 00
Roland Prescott, for Elisha Roberts' burial expenses,	10 75
Dr. W. T. Knowlton, for Warren Handy's family,	29 50
J. C. Fairbanks, for record books,	11 50
City of Boston, for Roy Chickering,	40 00
E. W. Merrick, for keeping tramp,	1 00
Town of Warren, for Chickering children,	41 70
Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton,	52 00
City of Worcester, for William H. Nadow,	2 35
Groceries for Warren Handy,	4 16
Net expense for supporting the poor the past year,	\$517 02

H. A. KENNAN,	} Overseers of Poor.
W. H. MAYNARD,	
W. C. TEMPLE,	

TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOLDEN POOR FARM ASSOCIATION,

For the Year Ending January 31, 1902.

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT.

HOLDEN.				
Name.	Age.	Admitted.	Remarks.	No. Days
Lizzie Kenney,	45	April 1, 1890,	continues,	365
Winifred Durdeen,	52	June 22, 1897,	continues,	365
Charles Prue,	79	Jan. 4, 1901,	away 67 days,	298
				<u>1,028</u>

HUBBARDSTON.				
David Rice,	83	April 1, 1890,	continues,	365
Mary Savage,	47	Sept. 8, 1899,	dis. Dec. 10,	313
Lizzie Durdeen,	41	April 21, 1900,	dis. June 7,	127
Flora Durdeen, 1y 2 m		April 21, 1900,	dis. June 4,	*33
Henry Clark,	23	Aug. 30, 1901,	continues,	158
				<u>996</u>

OAKHAM.				
Charles Winslow,	42	Dec. 9, 1900,	continues,	365
Benjamin Nourse,	73	Aug. 28, 1901,	continues,	157
				<u>522</u>

PAXTON.				
Carrie Snow,	47	April 10, 1896,	continues,	365
Lavina Pierce,	55	Feb. 4, 1900,	continues,	365
				<u>730</u>

RUTLAND.				
Rosa Rowen,	64	April 26, 1897,	continues,	365
John Kelly,	41	Nov 15, 1898,	continues,	365
				<u>730</u>

TEMPLETON.

Name.	Age.	Admitted.	Remarks.	No. Days
Minnie Crimmings,	20	Sept. 29, 1900,	dis. May 14,	103
Frank Peltier,	80	Oct. 31, 1900,	dis. May 2,	91
Mary S. Seaver,	66	April 27, 1901,	continues,	280
				<hr/> 474

WESTMINSTER.

Adaline Eager,	61	April 1, 1892,	continues,	365
Margaret Cronin,	56	April 1, 1892,	continues,	365
Sarah Blake,	62	May 23, 1898,	continues,	365
Jeremiah Lucius,	77	Aug. 10, 1900,	continues,	365
Frank A. Taylor,	60	Oct. 10, 1900,	away 55 days,	320
Obediah Freeman,	86	Feb. 3, 1901,	died Nov. 5,	275
Laura Freeman,	63	Feb. 3, 1901,	continues,	362
				<hr/> 2,417

*Half price after one year old.

Total Board furnished 6,897 days or 985 $\frac{2}{3}$ weeks.

Abigail Hachett of Paxton, boarded at the Institution up to the time of her death in April, and Bridget Carey of Westminster 8 $\frac{5}{7}$ weeks.

Total number of inmates 24, of which only 1 has died, 5 been discharged and 18 remain.

The average weekly number has been 18 $\frac{2}{3}$.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

RECEIPTS.

Milk,	\$1,593 04
Stock,	221 58
Calves,	21 00
Eggs,	18 47
Outside labor,	12 00
Board,	236 15
Miscellaneous,	25 57
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	\$2,127 81

EXPENDITURES.

Warden's and Matron's salary,	\$600 00	
Outside labor,	215 29	
Inside labor,	156 37	
Grain,	953 46	
Groceries,	434 53	
Meat and fish,	243 77	
Flour,	72 10	
Dry goods and furniture,	195 57	
Boots and shoes,	38 75	
Ice,	12 40	
Medicine and medical attendance,	40 70	
Tobacco and snuff,	19 67	
Tools and seeds,	97 56	
Blacksmithing,	36 70	
Stock,	315 50	
Fertilizers,	42 00	
Miscellaneous,	118 13	
Wood,	40 00	
Interest on personal property,	120 99	
Rent,	325 00	
		<hr/>
		\$4,078 49
Less receipts,		2,127 81
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Balance net expense,		\$1,950 68

Cost per week for each inmate, \$1.98.

Making the net expense of each Town as follows :

Holden,	\$290 75	
Hubbardston,	281 70	
Oakham,	147 64	
Paxton,	206 46	
Rutland,	206 46	
Templeton,	134 07	
Westminster,	683 60	
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		\$1,950 68

Neither Phillipston or Royalston furnished an inmate for the Institution.

The condition of last year and the first ten years is as follows :

	No. Inmates.	Total No. Weeks.	Weekly Average.	Cost per Week
Last year,	38.	888.	17 $\frac{1}{3}$.	\$2.00
Average first ten years,		883 $\frac{1}{2}$.	17.	2.223

This report chronicles another prosperous year for the Association. The health of the inmates has been good, bountiful crops have been harvested, and the herd of cattle increased, so that it now consists of twenty cows and a bull. The returns from which have been satisfactory, notwithstanding the high price of grain. The milk was sold at twenty-eight cents for six months beginning with April first, and at thirty cents for the balance of the year. This was the highest offer received, and was paid by a son of the Warden, who boards at the farm, paying \$20 a month for himself and horse.

A dam has been built by the Town of Holden, which flows a reservoir that furnishes an unfailing supply of running water, thereby satisfactory settling the water question.

The hearts of the inmates were again gladdened by the Hon. F. S. Coolidge, of Fitchburg, who furnished his usual bountiful Christmas dinner.

Mr. A. L. Potter and wife have been engaged for the ensuing year to fill the position so acceptably filled by them for the last six years.

Respectfully submitted,

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President.

JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary.

FRED T. HOLT, Holden, Treasurer.

JOHN ADAMS, Hubbardston.

HENRY PIKE, Paxton.

D. WEBSTER BAKER, Phillipston.

HENRY A. KENNAN, Rutland.

CALEB W. DAY, Royalston.

CHARLES H. LEATHE, Templeton.

Board of Management.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year Ending March 1, 1902.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer the past year four hundred and thirty-seven orders, amounting to \$14,842.80, as follows:

The appropriations of the Town are as follows:

State Tax,	\$350 00
County Tax,	628 00
Town Grant,	13,700 00
Overlayings,	152 80
Welsh Fund,	118 45
	<u>\$14,949 25</u>

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer, water loan,	\$22,500 00
State Treasurer, water loan,	3,000 00
State Treasurer, building loan,	15,900 00
State Treasurer, two notes,	4,000 00
State Treasurer, temporary loan,	5,000 00
People's Savings Bank, (thirteen notes)	23,300 00
City of Salem, water loan,	2,000 00
A. A. Heald, two notes,	1,500 00
	<u>\$77,200 00</u>

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Sinking Fund,	\$4,572 65
State, State Aid,	448 17
State, one-half Compensation for Cattle Inspector,	63 50
Water Rent,	483 23
Service Connections,	142 11
L. M. Hanff, Treas. and Collector,	15,581 60
E. F. Browning, Guardian for G. P. Browning,	36 00
C. A. Spooner, on School-house,	10 00
Value of Water System,	<u>31,000 00</u>
	\$52,337 26
Showing a Balance against the Town of	<u>\$24,862 74</u>

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid L. M. Hanff,	\$45 45	\$45 45
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SELECTMEN.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	45 00	
T. S. Heald,	41 50	
H. E. Wheeler,	42 50	
	<hr/>	\$129 00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$7 50	
H. E. Wheeler,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$12 50

ASSESSORS.

Paid W. C. Temple,	\$58 25	
G. S. Putnam,	57 50	
E. H. Crosby,	57 50	
	<hr/>	\$173 25

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid H. A. Kennan,	54 00	
W. H. Maynard,	10 00	
H. Converse,	5 00	
W. C. Temple,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$74 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$10 00	\$10 00
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TREASURER.

Paid L. M. Hanff,	\$150 00	\$150 00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

Paid C. R. Bartlett,	\$25 00	\$25 00
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REGISTRARS.

Paid L. M. Hanff,	\$8 00	
C. R. Bartlett,	8 00	
T. S. Heald,	8 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$32 00

TREE WARDEN.

Paid F. Hathaway,	\$3 75	\$3 75
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LIBRARIAN.

Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty,	\$78 00	\$78 00
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CATTLE INSPECTOR.

Paid G. S. Putnam,	\$127 00	\$127 00
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INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

Paid G. S. Putnam,	\$28 50	\$28 50
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BALLOT CLERKS.

Paid J. E. O'Leary,	\$4 00	
M. A. Putnam,	2 00	
C. J. Campbell,	2 00	
		\$8 00

TELLERS.

Paid E. W. Ward,	4 00	
D. A. Smith,	4 00	
		\$8 00

CONSTABLES.

Paid L. M. Hanff,	\$36 73	
J. W. Moulton,	16 15	
E. E. Lawrence,	10 00	
M. A. Putnam,	5 00	
		\$67 88

SEXTON.

Paid R. C. Prescott,	\$21 75	\$21 75
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SNOW BILLS.

Paid D. H. Maynard,	\$ 4 67
H. A. Kennan,	10 61
Della Laton,	37 24
John Foley,	6 16
Warren G. Wales,	16 91
Walter A. Wheeler,	9 51
John E. O'Leary,	45 15

Paid Frank Forward,	\$3 50
William White,	6 16
Owen O. Toole,	11 66
Michael Gleason,	9 00
Michael O'Leary,	29 25
G. L. Rich,	6 16
A. S. Charter,	9 83
Pat. Cahill,	8 17
James Scott,	2 33
Chester A. Charter,	10 00
Newton I. Sargent,	15 33
Dennis Shea,	10 50
William Scott,	9 33
Patrick Casey,	5 66
E. C. Sargent,	29 20
F. Larson,	2 25
William McClintock,	1 00
F. J. Tucker,	12 00
George M. Davis,	28 67
E. E. Lawrence,	3 34
Robert Pleotz,	11 16
Charles Pleotz,	5 16
D. H. Maynard,	65
H. W. Calkins,	8 83
John J. Welsh,	23 99
F. H. Mellen,	5 91
E. H. Crosby,	9 07
G. S. Putnam,	5 50
W. M. Demond,	37 34
W. H. Maynard,	21 83
Dennis A. Smith,	26 41
James White,	4 33
George Hammond,	5 58
James Hammond,	3 83
E. M. Davis,	2 50
H. W. Davis,	6 52
J. Norstrom,	6 75
C. J. Campbell,	13 66
George Morse,	4 67

Paid William Hammond,	\$15 50
Clarence Hammond,	2 70
W. W. Prescott,	4 00
H. A. Kennan,	34 57
Patrick Delahanty,	9 01
Matthew Delahanty,	2 84
Michael Leary,	7 17
E. C. Dudley,	12 85
W. F. Reid,	10 00
W. R. Upham,	3 17
Michael Cullen,	9 75
H. Jones Davis,	10 66
Thomas H. Connor,	4 50
Mark A. Putnam,	15 00
W. A. Hunter,	13 30
W. G. Wales,	9 00
George H. Rhee,	6 00
William A. Russell,	6 00
Harry Martin,	5 50
Horace E. Smith,	4 36
A. R. Hendrick,	1 50
Daniel McCarthy,	30 48
G. H. Willis,	20 00
J. R. Metcalf,	4 34
Clarence Hammond,	1 44
George Hammond,	2 16
James White,	5 18
Stephen Broderick,	1 08
C. J. Campbell,	7 58
Clarence Hammond,	6 12
George Hammond,	9 17
E. E. Lawrence,	7 92
James White,	11 07
Roy E. Adams,	8 33
William Haskins,	1 25
Charles E. Parker,	19 41
Frank Forward,	2 91
A. F. Brown,	9 16
Noel Fanning,	1 67

Paid James King,	\$3 50
William H. Hammond,	9 66
James Hammond,	20 83
E. W. Bowers,	16 39
W. C. Temple,	5 26
F. Hathaway,	3 50
Michael O'Leary,	5 00
G. Ws Hudson,	3 33
W. H. Maynard,	16 50
F. J. Tucker,	3 83
W. A. Hunter,	10 00
Dennis O'Herron,	28 50
E. Cowden,	10 58
William J. Hunt,	19 12
Stephen Broderick,	2 25
Michael O'Leary,	9 00
H. E. Wheeler,	1 50
C. R. Bartlett,	5 50
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	\$1,058 18

INCIDENTALS.

Paid George W. Green, damage, as per vote of Town,	\$25 00
C. F. Lawrence, official ballots,	12 00
B. & M. R. R., freight,	56
E. H. Tripp, printing town reports,	53 00
John P. Ranger, (Casey case)	40 00
Mary J. Pierce, entertainment of highway committee,	4 50
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, for G. P. Browning,	42 71
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, for G. P. Browning,	41 79
J. S. Wesby & Sons, record book,	7 75
H. A. Kennan, repairs on scraper,	8 50
Sanford-Sawtelle Co., tax blanks,	2 00
American Express Co., express on tools,	25
W. W. Prescott, trimming trees under tree warden,	22 10
Sanford-Sawtelle Co., blank paper,	50
George A. Barnard, slate and Cement,	1 85
Jordan, Marsh & Co., cuspidores,	4 30
Herbert J. C. Heald, maintaining water tub,	2 50

Paid B. & M. R. R., freight on oil,	\$ 36
J. S. Wesby & Sons, record book,	7 75
H. E. Wheeler, express on slate,	30
Sanford-Sawtelle Co., collector's book,	1 25
Albert Lovejoy, fumigating Handy house,	4 00
E. A. Putnam, oil,	24 14
Good Roads Machinery Co., repairs on scraper,	15 30
P. B. Murphy, dog blanks,	2 00
E. C. Dudley, maintaining water tub,	5 00
Barnard, Sumner & Putnam Co., crape for draping,	5 00
George Armitage, for gravel,	14 25
W. R. Upham, putting out lanterns on highway,	1 50
H. P. Cummings, cement,	2 50
E. H. Tripp, valuation reports.	29 70
Harris M. Dolbear,	1 20
D. H. Hayter, court expenses,	63 10
Worcester Insane Hospital, for G. P. Browning,	84 96
L. M. Hanff, (Baker and Collins cases)	63 08
D. S. Thurston, sundries,	7 52
American Express Co.,	85
Henry B. Dean, highway allowance,	400 00
Mass. Board of Cattle Commissioners branding stamp,	1 75
W. L. Reed, repairs on public building,	21 72
I. P. Frink, lamp chimneys,	6 75
G. W. Hudson, repairs on public building,	4 00
E. H. Tripp, printing,	4 75
C. Parkhurst, repairs on town clock,	10 00
Worcester Insane Hospital, for G. P. Browning,	42 71
Carter Ink Co., ink,	75
American Eupress Co.,	65
F. S. Hunt, lumber for public buildings,	13 42
Henry Converse, sundries,	1 80
Elwood Adams, hardware, etc.	2 64
J. W. Moulton, putting out lanterns at bridge and for spikes,	2 50
Thayer & Cobb, town counsel,	47 52
Elwood Adams, glass,	1 00
Michael Loughman, sharpening tools and making irons,	2 85
L. M. Hanff, insurance,	87 21
L. M. Hanff, justice fees,	4 00

Paid L. M. Hanff, expense negotiating notes,	\$9 50
L. M. Hanff, postage,	1 80
American Express Co.,	2 50
R. C. Prescott, one-third janitor services,	122 66
For one-third fuel for public buildings,	202 85
H. E. Wheeler, expenses to Boston on highway,	4 50
D. F. Smith, Memorial Day,	25 00
C. R. Bartlett, fixing steam and water pipes at public building,	3 00
C. R. Bartlett, moving sink and making connections,	3 00
C. R. Bartlett, drawing coal for public building,	8 00
C. R. Bartlett, expenses to Boston to meet State Highway Commissioners,	4 50
C. R. Bartlett, expenses to Boston to attend hearing on having Town annexed to District Court,	4 50
C. R. Bartlett, collecting and sending samples of water to State Board of Health,	5 00
C. R. Bartlett, telephoning,	2 50
C. R. Bartlett, postage,	1 80
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	\$1,652 20

BRIDGES.

Paid W. H. Sawyer, bridge plank,	\$35 07
B. & M. R. R., freight on plank,	1 80
F. D. Wellington, labor,	18 50
D. J. Hennesy, labor,	20 00
Martin Hennesy, labor,	36 00
A. B. Fisher, labor,	3 75
H. E. Wheeler, labor,	27 50
H. A. Kennan, labor,	10 50
Asa Mitchell, labor,	9 55
American Bridge Co., for bridges,	200 00
Thomas Hennesy, labor,	43 33
W. M. Demond, labor with team,	14 31
S. F. Smith, plank for bridges,	8 18
Asa Mitchell, labor,	2 00
H. E. Wheeler, repairing bridge near P. Wheeler's,	2 25
W. J. Hunt, labor,	29 98
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	\$462 72

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid E. H. Tripp, printing cards,	\$2 50
Charles E. Lauriett Co., books,	63 65
	<hr/> \$66 15

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Officers,	\$ 994 08
Schools,	4,685 99
Snow,	1,058 18
State Aid,	448 17
Overseer's Orders,	517 02
Highways,	1,832 93
Bridges,	462 72
Water Department,	2,925 97
Incidentals,	1,652 20
Library,	66 05
Construction Public Building,	199 49
	<hr/> \$14,842 80

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

George W. Pierce,	T. Sibley Heald,
William J. Hunt,	J. Warren Moulton,
Thomas O'Herron,	Charles H. Upham,
Weston R. Upham,	Charles A. Spooner,
Herman D. Bray,	Walter B. Ware,
Henry B. Davis,	Mark A. Putnam,
Clarence T. Oliver,	William H. Maynard,
	George F. Handy.

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED.

- One near S. B. Bray's.
- One near E. C. Dudley's.
- One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads.
- One at West Rutland, near Post Office.
- One near Charles Pierce's.
- Two near Patrick Delehanty's.
- Two near Henry Kennan's.

One near Miles Holden's.
 One near Gen. Putnam Memorial.
 One near Muschopauge House.
 One near Center Post Office.
 One near Pound Hill.
 One near Daniel Nihin's.
 One near Walter Bartlett's.
 One near M. Myron Smith's.
 One near C. R. Bartlett's.
 One near W. J. D. D'Ewart's.
 One near Greenleaf Corner.
 One near Benjamin Allen's place.
 One near Adnison Childs'.
 One at New Boston Corner.
 One near W. J. Brodmerkle's.
 One near Levi H. Stearns'.
 One near Sargent's Corner.
 One near Upham's Corner.
 One near D. R. Wheeler's.
 One near No. 1 School House.

The Selectmen would recommend the following appropriations for the coming year :

State Tax,	\$	
County Tax,		
Schools and Transportation,		3,000 00
Highways,		1,800 00
Poor,		600 00
Contingent,		1,000 00
Paying Debts,		3,000 00
Snow,		1,000 00
Memorial Day,		25 00

In conclusion, we would say that some of the departments have expended more than the appropriation, especially the Highways, Bridges and Incidental Departments.

Of the latter, two large items, one of \$400 00 to Mr. Dean for the improvement of the highway, and a sum nearly as large for the care and heating of the Public Building, apart from the schools, making nearly one-half of the total amount of the Incidental Department.

For Highways and Bridges there was expended nearly \$300 more than the appropriation—about \$250 more on the Highways, and about \$50 more on Bridges. It was found necessary to re-lay a large part of one of the stone abutments at North Rutland bridge, at considerable expense, before putting on the new iron bridge. The whole structure is now in first-class condition, and will doubtless last a half century with only the necessary replanking and painting.

Mr. Henry Kennan was appointed to the office of Highway Surveyor, which office he held until his removal from town. Under his direction \$1,852.95 was expended, for which he has rendered bills of expenditures and vouchers, which have been audited and paid by our orders.

The sum expended above the appropriation was due to the action of the Selectmen rather than the Surveyor. In the early Spring there were found sections of the highway which was in such bad condition as to require a much larger amount of money to be expended than an average of per mile of the appropriation would give. We thought it best to have these repairs made so that the work would be of a permanent character rather than temporary, thinking also that some other portion of the road might remain until another year, and so not increase the sum appropriated, but the condition of the roads later in the season made it necessary to expend more than the sum appropriated.

Of these particular sections of road which received quite a large proportion of the appropriation, was the long hill East of the Center, on Main street, it being covered with a good quantity of gravel its entire length. There was also quite a sum expended in the early Spring upon the road leading to Muschogauge Station. It is expected that the authorities of the State Sanitorium will aid the Town considerably in the future in keeping this section of road in repair. The portion of road receiving the greatest outlay late in the season, was the Depot road at Center of Town, which was put in such good condition as not to require a large expenditure, it is hoped, for several years to come.

The Selectmen have not recommended any appropriation for Bridges, as it is not probable that it will be necessary to expend much in that department the coming year.

The sum of \$1,800 is recommended for Highways, \$1,200 for general repairs and \$600 to be used, if necessary, with the allotments by the State, to re-grade Pound Hill, as per survey made by State Highway Commissioners, making a seven and one-half per cent. grade. This would make a permanent improvement, greatly reducing the grade and making the road as good in every respect as a macadamized road.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. S. HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	

of Rutland.

Rutland, March 1, 1902.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1901.

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE, 1901
Walter Cady,	Mark A. & Mary (Rocket) Putnam,	Feb. 27
Fred Czezowski,	A. & Frances (Fitzpatrick) Czezowski,	March 2
James Dennis,	Patrick A. & Maggie (Murphy) Scott,	March 25
Mildred Catherine,	Chas. E. & Minnie J. (Herron) Bigelow,	March 26
Harriet Abbie,	Fred J. & Abbie R. (Hunter) Tucker,	March 28
Lina Serafina,	Angello B. & Rosaline (Costa) Celle,	April 15
Bertha Louise,	Geo. M. & Julia L. (Blanchard) Davis,	June 5
Chloe Matilda,	Thos. H. & Nancy (Gilman) Connors,	June 16
Orrin Chamberlain,	Edward & Laura (Mugdrige) Williams,	June 17
Hazel Lecna,	Everett W. & Nellie M. (Bigelow) Bowers,	June 20
Mary Louise,	Eugene E. & Belle E. (Baker) Hunt,	June 20
Belle May,	Willie M. & Ethel M. (Whiting) Demond,	June 22
Willie Henry,	John H. & Jennie E. (Miles) Griffin.	June 22
Louis Edgar,	Louis F. & Laura L. (Pratt) Harper,	June 26
Elsie May,	Patrick & Alice (Hoard) Dunn,	July 16
Raymond Dennis,	Michael & Catherine (O'Leary) Gleason,	Aug. 31
John Leo,	Patrick J. & Catherine (Cody) Myers,	Sept. 1
Helen,	John J. & Margaret (Donelly) Welsh,	Sept. 20
Priscilla Wilhelmina } Mary, }	Arthur A. & Clara W. (Carlson) Smith,	Sept. 26

MARRIAGES.

DATE, 1901.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
April 3,	Sidney I. Dean,	Oakham, Mass.
	Jessie I. Taylor,	Rutland, Mass.
May 23,	Arthur Clifford Wheeler,	Rutland, Mass.
	Mercie E. Upham,	Rutland, Mass.
June 18,	Daniel E. Withington,	Hubbardston, Mass.
	Grace M. Parson,	Rutland, Mass.
July 18,	Arthur A. Heald,	Rutland, Mass.
	Helen H. Jaques,	Rowley, Mass.
August 14,	William J. Aiken,	Rutland, Mass.
	Ella I. Ware,	Rutland, Mass.
October 9,	Henry O. Ude,	Rutland, Mass.
	Mary T. Dobbs,	Rutland, Mass.

DATE, 1901.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
November 21,	Louis Guerten, Natalie Lavallee,	Worcester, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
November 24,	Lester C. Crenner, Mabel E. Bemis,	Worcester, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
November 28,	Herman D. Bray. Laura E. Henderson,	Rutland, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
December 12,	Charles J. Campbell, Martha Edith Smith,	Rutland, Mass. Rutland, Mass.
December 31,	Ernest W. Bliss, Rachel Doblin,	Rutland, Mass. Rutland, Mass.

DEATHS.

DATE, 1901.	NAMES.	AGE.			RESIDENCE.
		y.	m.	d.	
January 28,	Elizabeth McCrosson,	19	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
January 30,	Fred Maghill Sawyer,	22	6	20	Reading, Mass.
February 1,	Minnie E. Lamphear,	36	10	23	Westerly, R. I.
February 7,	Joseph P. Riley,	6	6	—	Rutland, Mass.
February 18,	Eugene F. Stratton,	29	4	23	Hopedale, Mass.
March 22,	Emeline Holden,	85	—	1	Rutland, Mass.
March 29,	Lizzie A. Comeau,	29	8	23	Lynn, Mass.
May 1,	Agnes Nixon,	16	3	9	Boston, Mass.
May 22,	Annie Alley,	40	—	—	Boston, Mass.
May 29,	James Sughrue,	82	5	29	Rutland, Mass.
June 8,	Michael Conconnon,	24	2	9	Providence, R. I.
June 23,	Chloe M. Connor,	—	—	8	Rutland, Mass.
July 13,	Lizzie E. Marvin,	33	10	8	Cambridge, Mass.
August 25,	Frederick K. Hallett,	37	11	—	Yarmouthport, Mass.
August 29,	Idee S. Davenport,	33	5	12	Rutland, Mass.
September 2,	Rosa Perry Rogers,	29	3	2	Providence, R. I.
September 11,	Mattie Watts Kollock,	63	4	10	Hyde Park, Mass.
September 11,	Elijah Roberts,	29	—	—	Worcester, Mass.
September 19,	Albert Rankin Hendrick,	62	6	28	Rutland, Mass.
September 23,	Thomas L. Campbell,	69	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
October 4,	Inez J. Aldrich.	1	4	—	Rutland, Mass.
October 7,	Margaret L. Nihin,	54	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
October 15,	Agatha O'Neil,	26	9	—	Cambridge, Mass.
November 1,	Hannah Collins,	30	10	16	Boston, Mass.
November 8,	Belle May Demond,	—	4	17	Rutland, Mass.
November 9,	William A. Kelly,	34	—	—	New Hampshire.
December 10,	John Heffernan,	53	—	—	Boston, Mass.
December 19,	Patrick Connors,	42	—	—	Unknown.
December 25,	Sylvester Prescott,	89	10	22	Rutland, Mass.
December 26,	Sarah May Brooks,	25	8	4	Rutland, Mass.

Number of Dogs licensed during the year 1901.

85 Males @ \$2.00,	\$170 00
6 Females @ \$5.00,	30 00
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	\$200 00
Less 91 fees @ \$0.20,	18 20
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	\$181 80
Paid County Treasurer,	149 00
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Cash on hand,	\$32 80

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Town Clerk.

Rutland, Mass., March 1, 1902.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Louis M. Hanff, Collector and Treasurer, in account with the Town of Rutland.

1901.		DR.	
Feb.	15,	To balance on hand, cash and tax bills,	\$14,021 45
Feb.	26,	Received from Town of Oakham,	64 00
March	14,	Received from State Treasurer, \$5,000, note discounted.	4,876 25
May	1,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,800 00
May	5,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
May	7,	Received from Welsh Fund,	118 45
May	14,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
June	1,	Received from A. A. Heald, loan,	1,000 00
June	7,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
June	15,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
June	19,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent,	250 00
July	5,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
July	15,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,200 00
July	18,	Received from State Treasurer,	155 20
July	18,	Received from City of Boston, tuition,	86 75
Aug.	1,	Received from A. A. Heald, loan,	500 00
Aug.	6,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
Aug.	6,	Received from Joseph Davis, old plank,	1 00
Sept.	27,	Received from Sanitorium,	500 00
Sept.	27,	Received from State Treasurer, (school supt.)	250 00
Oct.	3,	Received from Central District Court,	6 50
Oct.	11,	Received from Town of Oakham, tuition,	43 50
Oct.	15,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	800 00
Nov.	4,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
Dec.	3,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00

Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer, corporation tax	\$50 99
Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer, bank tax,	3 92
Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer, State aid,	365 46
Dec.	19,	Received from State Treasurer, \$5,000, discounted,	4,811 98
Dec.	20,	Received from County Treasurer, dog fund,	137 53
Dec.	23,	Received from State Sanitorium,	166 67
Dec.	23,	Received from State Treasurer, one-half cattle inspector salary,	42 50

1902.

Jan.	1,	Received from Rutland cottages, water extension,	75 00
Jan.	6,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
Jan.	16,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
Jan.	25,	Received from State Treasurer, burial State pauper,	10 00
Jan.	28,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent, etc.,	242 19
Feb.	13,	Received from E. E. Lawrence, water pipe,	124 62
Feb.	19,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent and extension.	533 33
March	1,	Received from three slaughter house licenses,	3 00
March	1,	Received from H. E. Wheeler, for grass,	2 00
March	1,	Received from M. Loughman, coal,	8 20
March	1,	Received from E. F. Browning,	108 00
March	1,	Received from G. P. Browning, State aid,	32 17
March	1,	Received from Superintendent of water works for water rents,	539 27
March	1,	Received from Superintendent of water works for service connections,	28 56
March	1,	Received from R. C. Prescott, rent of Town hall,	214 00
March	1,	Received from State School Fund,	375 54
March	1,	Received from M. M. Smith, for school house,	10 00
March	1,	Received from West Rutland Sunday School,	2 50
March	1,	Received from 1901 tax bills,	14,830 80
March	1,	Received from 1901 extra poll taxes,	8 00
March	1,	Received from interest collected,	314 83
March	1,	Received from Water Construction Fund,	16 11
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			\$66,230 27

1901.

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Feb.	23, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	\$ 43 88
March	15, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	80 00
March	15, Paid National Bank of the Republic, note and interest,	1020 00
March	15, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	40 00
March	21, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	48 75
March	23, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,212 00
April	2, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
April	16, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
April	28, Paid A. A. Heald, note and interest,	1840 55
May	2, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	245 00
May	2, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,856 00
May	5, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
May	14, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,632 00
June	3, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	30 00
June	10, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,020 00
June	10, Paid People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
June	16, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,020 00
July	5, Paid City of Salem, interest,	35 00
July	17, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,234 00
July	31, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
Aug.	2, Paid State Treasurer, note and interest,	931 25
Aug.	6, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,530 00
Aug.	19, Paid State Treasurer, note and interest,	343 87
Aug.	19, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	80 00
Aug.	24, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	48 75
Oct.	2, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
Oct.	15, Paid one-half County tax,	314 00
Nov.	1, Paid National Bank of Republic, note and interest,	508 75
Nov.	1, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	56 00
Nov.	5, Paid People's Savings Bank interest,	40 00
Nov.	5, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	236 25
Nov.	15, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,040 00
Dec.	1, Paid City of Salem, interest,	35 00
Dec.	2, Paid A. A. Heald, interest,	20 00
Dec.	3, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,528 13
Dec.	4, Paid balance County tax,	314 00

Dec.	7, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	\$ 18 75
Dec.	10, Paid State tax,	350 00
Dec.	15, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	37 50
Dec.	19, Paid State Treasurer, note,	5,000 00
1902.		
Jan.	5, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	2,041 46
Jan.	15, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	22 50
Jan.	16, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and interest,	1,018 75
Jan.	31, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
Feb.	3, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	421 88
Feb.	6, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	28 13
Feb.	18, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	39 00
March	1, By Assessors' abatements,	144 72
March	1, Deposit in Mechanics Savings Bank,	500 00
March	1, Uncollected tax bills,	15,418 01
March	1, Paid 437 Selectmen's orders,	14,842 80
March	1, Cash on hand,	163 59
		<u>\$66,230 27</u>

WATER DEPARTMENT CONSTRUCTION FUND.

1901.

Feb.	18, Amount due Treasurer, as reported,	\$45 64
Nov.	10, Received from W. L. Reed,	25 00

1902.

March	1, Received from L. A. Taylor,	<u>36 75</u>
		\$61 75
Deduct,		<u>45 64</u>
March	1, Transferred to General Account,	\$16 11

INCOME STATE SCHOOL FUND.

1902.

Jan.	28, Received from State Treasurer,	\$738 08
March	1, Transferred to General Fund,	<u>375 54</u>
March	1, Balance on hand,	\$362 54

ACCOUNT OF FUND TO PAY NOTE OF PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK OF \$5,000 DUE APRIL 2, 1904.

1901.

Feb.	15, People's Savings Bank,	\$1,133 82	
	Dividend, February, 1902,	42 52	
			\$1,176 34
Feb.	15, Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$1,238 18	
	Dividend, January, 1902,	46 44	
			\$1,284 62
Feb.	15, Worcester County Institution for Savings,	\$1,050 70	
	Dividend, January, 1902,	42 01	
			\$1,092 71
Feb.	15, Bay State Savings Bank,	\$500 00	
	Dividend to March, 1902,	18 98	
			\$518 98

1902.

March	1, Mechanics Savings Bank,	\$500 00	
			\$4,572 65

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

1901.

Feb. 15, Balance in Five Cents Savings Bank, \$100 00

1902.

March	1, Dividends,	3 77	
			\$103 77
	Paid S. W. Fay,		3 77
March	1, Balance in Bank,		\$100 00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Collector and Treasurer.

Rutland, March 1, 1902.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF FREE PUB. LIBRARY.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$22 37	
Appropriation,	148 45	
Received from non-residents for use of Library, and from fines and cards,	11 42	
		\$182 24

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty, librarian,	\$78 00	
for new books,	64 09	
for papers and magazines,	6 00	
for express on books,	1 41	
for library cards,	2 50	
for supplies,	1 25	
		\$153 25
Balance unexpended,		\$28 99

Of this balance, \$4.40 is due from the Town, and \$24.59 is in the hands of the Trustees,

The whole number of books taken from the Library during the year was 4,815.

Seventy new volumes have been added to the Library by purchase, and the following named persons have kindly donated books.

Catholic Friends of Rutland, 25 volumes.

Mr. Hewins, 10 "

Mrs. R. P. Barry, 10 "

Mr. Stephen Salisbury, 12 volumes New England Magazine.

"One who Loves to Give," Pioneers of Massachusetts.

C. W. Dodge has given McClure's Magazine the past year, and Mrs. J. Munroe St. Nicholas Magazine.

The Revised Laws of Massachusetts, in two volumes, have been sent by the State.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. TEMPLE,

MRS. SARAH MUNROE, }

MRS. H. R. SPAULDING, }

*Library
Trustees.*

WATER DEPARTMENT.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

The following is a statement of expenditures on account of construction, to March 1, 1901.

Amount overpaid by the Town,		\$43 64
Received from W. L. Reed, for construction,	\$25 00	
Received from L. A. Taylor, reimbursement,	<u>36 75</u>	
		\$61 75
Paid Town Treasurer, amount overpaid last year,		<u>45 64</u>
Balance transferred to General Account,		\$16 11

W. T. BROWN,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

The following financial statement of the maintainance of the Water Department, showing it to have been more than self-supporting the past year, is pleasant for us to report, and must be very satisfactory to the tax payers to know.

The large amount expended by the Department, above the maintainance, was largely due to the cost of a new pump, and making suitable connections with the intake and discharge pipes of the old pump, and of connecting with the boiler and vacuum pump.—Also, quite a large sum has been expended in laying more than twenty-five hundred feet (or about one-half mile) of service pipe.—The Water Commissioners were petitioned by the State Sanitorium and by Mr. Daniel Nihin, to extend the service to the old Nihin house, owned by the State, and to Mr. Nihin's new house, and an agreement was made with the State, late in the Autumn, to put in a one-inch pipe a distance of sixteen hundred and forty-five feet, making the desired connection, the Town to receive one hundred and fifty dollars, about one-half of the total cost, from the Commonwealth, which has been paid over to the Town. A little later another petition came before the Board from Messrs. Butler, Fiske and Hansons, of the "Rutland Cottages" to make service connections with their house, recently purchased of the late Sylvester Prescott. An agreement was effected by their paying to the Town seventy-five dollars, and by further agreeing to pay at least twenty dollars yearly water rental.

Service connections have also been made with eight other houses during the year, as follows : A. B. Pratt's, L. Q. Spaulding's, Miss Lydia Reed's, Parsonage, D. F. Smith's, (Gates place) Barber Shop, (G. R. Edson) G. M. Glazier's two-tenement house and J. H. Griffin's.

If all the present service conditions continue without any new or additional patrons, the income will increase between one and two hundred dollars the coming year.

It is quite probable that some new houses will be built on the water line during the coming season, and that some of the houses not yet connected with the System will soon become patrons.

The new auxiliary pump, put in last June, proves quite satisfactory, doing the work with apparent ease, so that the anxiety felt by your Commissioners in case of accident while depending upon one pump is now entirely removed. This acquisition to the pumping plant, and the large extension of service pipe, and the considerable number of patrons added during the year, is worthy of note, and bespeaks a grand future for the Water System. Mention should be made of the fact that the State Sanitorium has paid the Town four hundred and fifty dollars toward the new pump, they feeling that it was but just to help the Town in providing an emergency pump.

The entire System has worked well during the year, with the exception of several leaks appearing in the main on Paxton Road. When the pipe was laid late in the season of 1899, the conditions of frost and snow were such that it was hardly possible to make perfect joints, as it afterwards proved, and the contractor, Mr. L. A. Taylor, has been very willing to repair the work and make it satisfactory, having lately sent his check for the payment of a bill for thirty-six dollars and seventy-five cents for repairing leaks. This is very honorable in Mr. Taylor, proving that he aims to do good, satisfactory work.

The last Legislature passed an Act authorizing the Town to increase its Water Loan five thousand dollars, as there are citizens asking for the extension of the water main. An article is inserted in the Warrant for the annual meeting, under which the Town can vote an extension if it so pleases.

The following is a summary of the amount of water in gallons, pumped each month during the year.

REPORT TO THE
MASSACHUSETTS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

RECORD OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN THE
TOWN OF RUTLAND, FOR THE YEAR 1901.

Month.	Total Consumption in Gallons.
January,	2,602,418
February,	2,480,062
March,	2,237,703
April,	2,383,236
May,	2,781,246
June,	2,956,464
July,	2,997,722
August,	2,821,247
September,	2,160,054
October,	1,694,160
November,	1,388,270
December,	1,595,334

Day on which greatest amount was pumped, September 8.

Gallons pumped on above day, 207,064.

Week during which greatest amount was pumped, June, first week.

Gallons pumped during above week, 788,255.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND.

SUPPLIES.

60 feet 2-inch galvanized pipe.

125 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch galvanized pipe.

6 faucets.

4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks.

1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch corporation cock.

6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch ells.

3 soldering nipples.

13 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tees.

6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions.

1 lb. solder.

4 service boxes.

Approximate value, \$25.00.

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3 00
3 hammers,	2 50
1 spade,	75
1 grub axe,	1 00
3 drills,	1 75
4 lanterns,	2 00
1 broom,	50

 \$11 50

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2-inch die plate,	\$6 00
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 80
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 50
2 W. I. wrenches for sidewalk shut-off,	3 83
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 26
1 1-inch tap,	94
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch and $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch,	4 00
1 2-inch drill for ratchet,	90
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 20
1 1-inch drill,	53
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamers,	2 26
1 1-inch reamer,	94
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,	63
1 2-inch Stanwood cutter,	98
1 expander,	5 00
1 gate wrench,	2 50
1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate, with $2\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	4 12
1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,	3 40
1 18-inch Stillson wrench,	1 60
1 24-inch Stillson wrench,	2 40
2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1 20
1 15-inch Coe's block wrench,	1 00
1 wall vice,	8 10
1 wall hinge vice,	3 00
2 packer's sleeve ratchets,	4 05
1 iron crow,	9 60
1 2-inch Walworth cutter,	1 46

 \$76 20

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Paid interest on water loan,	\$1 026 86
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	171 18
Garfield & Proctor, coal,	149 25
C. H. Sprague & Son, coal,	148 39
F. S. Hunt, wood,	20 00
G. C. Bond, wood,	2 50
Lincoln Oil Co., oil,	10 51
George S. Dixon, oil,	2 50
Duncan & Goodell, shovel,	1 10
Washburn & Garfield, packing and supplies,	12 02
James B. DeShago, inspecting boiler,	2 00
William Allen & Sons, brick, labor and re- pairing boiler,	35 72
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on coal,	113 17
Cunningham Iron Co., boiler grates,	25 23
Knowles Steam Pump Co., valve springs,	1 50
F. S. Hunt, lumber for repairs,	1 72
E. E. Lawrence, pumping,	360 32
E. E. Lawrence, labor setting new pump,	19 00
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	91 48
E. E. Lawrence, repairing boiler, putting in tubing and grate,	9 50
E. E. Lawrence, fixing leaks in main,	40 50
F. J. Tucker, labor setting pump,	6 15
C. R. Bartlett, drawing coal,	6 00
C. R. Bartlett, labor setting pump,	5 25
C. R. Bartlett, drawing pump and pipe,	5 00
C. R. Bartlett, drawing stone, cement and sand,	4 00
G. F. Goldthwaite, digging trench,	217 85
E. E. Lawrence, digging trench and piping,	45 67
C. R. Bartlett, trenching and piping,	8 50
F. J. Tucker, digging trench,	44 10
L. A. Taylor, digging trench,	50 95
C. R. Bartlett, laying out water lines and drawing pipe,	4 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., service pipe, fixtures,	392 02

Paid Michael Loughman, iron work,	\$11 10	
Wilson & Holden, lime and cement,	12 35	
Knowles Steam Pump Co., for Dean pump,	858 20	
Charles Richardson & Co., paint for stand		
pipe,	30 60	
American Express Co.,	55	
E. E. Lawrence, cement and brick,	4 75	
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		\$3,925 57

DR.

Received from State Sanitorium, water rent for year ending Jan 1, 1902,	\$1,000 00	
Received and due for water rent for year end- ing January 1, 1902,	647 24	
Received and due for service connections for year ending January 1, 1902,	79 11	
Received from State Sanitorium, for service piping to old Nihin house, as per agree- ment,	150 00	
Received from "Rutland Cottages," for service piping, as per agreement,	75 00	
Received from L. A. Taylor, reimbursment on account of repairing leaks,	36 75	
Received from M. Loughman, for coal,	8 08	
Received from State Sanitorium, toward new pump,	450 00	
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		\$2,446 18
Leaving a balance against the Water Department of		<hr/>
		\$1,497 33

MAINTENANCE OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

CR.

Paid interest on Water Loan, to Jan. 1, 1902,	\$1,026 86
for coal,	468 00
for freight on coal,	113 17
for drawing coal,	97 48
for wood,	22 50
for oil,	13 01

Paid for packing and supplies at pumping station,	\$12 02	
Wm. Allen & Sons, repairs on boiler,	35 72	
Cunningham Iron Co., repairs on boiler,	25 23	
E. E. Lawrence, labor on boiler,	9 50	
Knowles Steam Pump Co., for valve springs		
for pump,	1 50	
for inspection of boiler,	2 00	
for engineer's services, pumping and firing,	360 32	
		<u>\$2,187 31</u>

DR.

Received from State Sanitorium, water rent to		
January 1, 1902, one year,	\$1,000 00	
Received and due from patrons for water rent,		
to January 1, 1902, one year,	647 00	
Received and due from patrons for service con-		
nections, to January 1, 1902, one year,	79 11	
Received from M. Loughman, for coal,	8 08	
Due from Town, on acct. of 18 hydrants @		
\$25.00,	450 00	
Due from Town, on acct. of supplying 2 water-		
ing places,	10 00	
Due from Town, on acct. of supplying Public		
Building with water,	20 00	
Value of coal and wood on hand in excess of		
that reported January 1, 1901,	75 00	
		<u>\$2,289 19</u>
Leaving a balance in favor of the Water Department of		\$101 88

In conclusion, I desire to caution the patrons again upon the unnecessary use or waste of water, and to protect the pipes from frost in exposed places, and to pay promptly the water rent before January first of each year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,

Superintendent.

Rutland, March 1, 1902.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes and Superintendent of Water Department, for the year ending March 1, 1902, and for last year, as instructed by vote of the Town, and that I find the same correct.

HOBERT D. SMITH,

Auditor.

Rutland, March 1, 1902.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year Ending March 1. 1902.

FELLOW CITIZENS :—

We respectfully submit the following report :

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Population of the Town, according to the United States Census of 1900,	1,334
Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, as per School Census of September 1, 1901,	234
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1901,	266
Average membership for the year,	210.9
Average attendance for the year,	184.9
Per cent. of attendance,	87.6

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Appropriations :

For teachers' salaries,	\$2,400 00	
For conveyance of pupils,	850 00	
For School Supervision,	250 00	
For fuel,	275 00	
Raised by taxation,		\$3,775 00

Amounts received from

State Board of Charity, tuition of boys,	\$ 16 00	
Lyman School, tuition of boys,	139 20	
City of Boston, tuition of boys,	86 75	
Town of Oakham, tuition,	43 50	
State, on account of Superintendent's salary,	250 00	
		\$535 45
Transferred from State School Fund account,		375 54
Total,		\$4,685 99

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,407 50	
Books and supplies,	254 97	
Conveyance of pupils,	799 80	
Supervision,	400 00	
Tuition, Town of Barre,	10 00	
Janitors,	267 59	
Fuel,	415 70	
Sundries,	34 94	
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Bills approved for support of Schools,		\$4,590 50
Repairs and furnishings,		95 49
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Total,		\$4,685 99

BILLS APPROVED.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Frank P. Ayer,	\$505 50	
Edith I. Brown,	307 50	
Jennie R. Burnham,	340 50	
Louise R. Livermore,	210 00	
Annie M. Jenness,	210 00	
Lucy M. Grant,	264 00	
Grace E. Damon,	272 00	
Helen H. Jacques,	120 00	
Jennie B. Haskell,	120 00	
Ruth E. Butterfield,	48 00	
Mabel E. Dickinson, drawing teacher,	10 00	
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		\$2,407 50

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Ginn & Co.,	\$67 88
Allen & Bacon,	12 81
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	69 53
E. E. Babb & Co.,	19
H. J. Jones,	10 72
Werner School Book Co.,	40 12
Gaylord Bros.,	1 25
Esterbrook Steel Pen Mfg. Co.,	3 93
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	2 35

Suffolk Ink Co.,	75	
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	24 60	
Leavenworth & Green,	20 00	
H. H. Jacques,	34	
Jennie R. Burnham,	50	
	<hr/>	\$254 97

CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS.

Dellar Laton, last year,	\$37 50	
Charles A. Stone,	79 00	
Joel Stone,	75 00	
Michael Gleason,	15 00	
Michael Gleason, last year,	15 00	
W. F. Reed,	26 00	
Warren G. Wales,	181 50	
Stephen P. Allen,	158 00	
W. R. Upham,	52 00	
W. A. Hunter,	147 00	
Mrs. K. E. Myers,	13 80	
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SUPERVISION

H. J. Jones Superintendent, (13 months)	\$325 00	
E. W. Ward, committee,	32 50	
W. A. Hunter, committee,	27 50	
George S. Putnam, census enumerator,	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$400 00

TUITION.

Town of Barre,	\$10 00	\$100 0
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JANITORS.

Roland C. Prescott, Center School,	\$252 84	
For West and North Rutland,	14 75	
	<hr/>	\$267 59

FUEL.

For Center Schools,	\$405 70	
For North Rutland,	10 00	
	<hr/>	415 70
Sundries,		\$34 94
Total for Support,		\$4,590 50

REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS.

L. M. Hanff, contract for repairs at North Rutland Schoolhouse,	\$79 50	
L. M. Hanff, extra repairs at North Rutland Schoolhouse,	7 19	
F. S. Hunt, lumber for North Rutland Schoolhouse,	4 30	
Allen-Thompson-Whitney Co., chairs for North and West Rutland Schools,	4 50	
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		\$95 49
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		\$4,685 99
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STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT.

1902.

January 25, Received from the State School Fund for support of Schools,	\$738 08
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1902.

March 1, Transferred to General Account,	\$375 54	
March 1, Balance on hand,	362 54	
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		\$738 08
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APPROPRIATIONS.

The Committee recommend that the Town provide for the support of the Schools as follows :

RAISE AND APPROPRIATE.

For teachers' salaries,	\$2,500 00	
For conveyance of pupils,	1,000 00	
For supervision,	250 00	
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		\$3,750 00

AVAILABLE BY LAW FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The income received from the State School Fund.

Money received by the Town for tuition.

Amount due from the State on account of Superintendent's salary.

It will be necessary to maintain the High School for thirty-six weeks during the year, to entitle the Town to its share of the income from the State School Fund.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator and the following is his report :

Number of boys between the ages of five and fifteen,	127	
Number of girls between the ages of five and fifteen,	107	
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Number of boys between the ages of seven and fourteen,	88	
Number of girls between the ages of seven and fourteen,	70	
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VACCINATION.

On account of the spread of small pox throughout different parts of the Country, and its appearance in our own Town, the Committee has directed the following law be enforced :

REVISED LAWS, CHAPTER 44.

"SECTION 6. A child who has not been vaccinated shall not be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certificate signed by a regular practising physician that he is not a fit subject for vaccination. A child who is a member of a household in which a person is ill with small pox, diphtheria, scarlet fever or measles, or of a household exposed to such contagion from another household as aforesaid, shall not attend any public school during such illness or until the teacher of the school has been furnished with a certificate from the Board of Health of the city or town, or from the attending physician of such person, stating that, in a case of small pox, diphtheria or scarlet fever at least two weeks, and in a case of measles, at least three days, have elapsed since the recovery, removal or death of such person, and that danger of conveying such disease by such child has passed."

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following pupils were neither absent nor tardy for the number of terms specified :

CENTER SCHOOL. *One term* : Harvey Crosby, Lillian Goldthwaite, Harold Fay, Eddie Hanff, Alice McGann, Bessie Ward, Lucy Wheeler, Ernest O'Connor, Percy Nourse, David Hanff, Willie

Hunt, Hazel Hanff, Alice Hunt, Bertha Hunt, Laura Miles, Etta Bemis, Lucie Taylor, Jas. Jellison, Richard Zago, Louise Maynard, Belle Fay, Bernice Hunt, Henry McCulloch, Myrna Miles, Tennie Reed, Frank Maynard, John R. Clark.

Two terms: Susie O'Connor, Mida Wentworth, Rhetta Miles, Winnie Rich, Jeannette Ward, Albert Wales, Annie Welch, Esther Wheeler.

Three terms: Georgia Rich.

NORTH SCHOOL. *One term*: John Moulton.

WEST SCHOOL. *One term*: John Babbitt, Julia Sweeney, Jas. Dunn.

IN MEMORIAM.

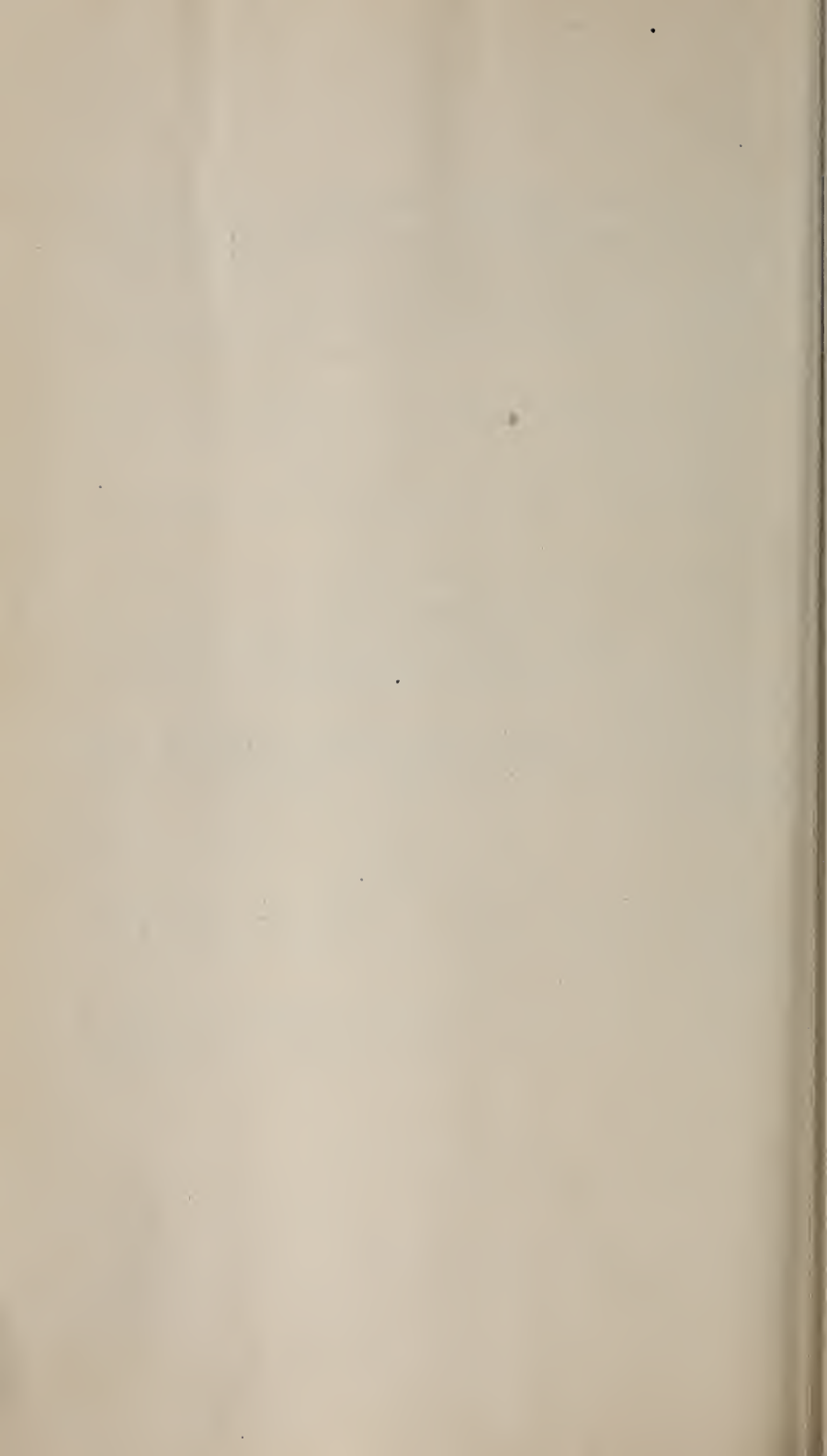
May 29. Patriotic exercises were held in the Town Hall that showed the loyalty of the pupils, and their respect to the memory of the Nation's dead.

September 19. Schools closed in honor to the memory of our lamented President, William McKinley. Memorial services in the Town Hall.

IN CONCLUSION.

We appreciate the services and efficient work of our Superintendent, Mr. Jones, and his report will be found to cover the general work of the Schools.

W. A. HUNTER,	} <i>School Committee</i>
DR. D. P. BUTLER.	
E. W. WARD,	



SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

FOR

The Central Worcester District.

TOWNS:

Holden, Oakham, Paxton, Rutland,

Worcester County, Mass.

March, 1902.

THE CENTRAL WORCESTER DISTRICT.

The district was formed July 16, 1900. The services and salary of the superintendent are shared as follows: Holden, five-tenths; Oakham, two-tenths; Paxton, one-tenth, and Rutland, two-tenths. The superintendent's year begins Aug. 1. Thirty-two teachers are employed, in thirty schools. The chairman of the joint committee is Walter A. Hunter of Rutland, and the secretary is Mrs. Marion E. Warren of Holden. The names of the members of the various committees, with the expiration of their respective terms, are shown below:

HOLDEN: James S. Holden, chairman, 1903; Mrs. Marion E. Warren, secretary, 1904; Walter T. Howe, 1904; Frank J. Knowlton, 1902; Mrs. H. H. Holden, 1902; Mrs. G. S. Graham, 1903.

OAKHAM: Jesse Allen, chairman and secretary, 1903; H. W. Lincoln, 1904; Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, 1902.

PAXTON: Lewis S. Clapp, chairman, 1905; Mrs. E. P. Keep, secretary, 1903; Mrs. C. F. Flint, 1904.

RUTLAND: Walter T. Hunter, chairman, 1902; E. W. Ward, secretary, 1903; Dr. David T. Butler, Jr., 1904.

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton and Rutland:

The second annual report of the superintendent of schools for the Central Worcester District is herewith respectfully submitted.

"A republic's chief business is education." The work of the public school has become a most important phase of our "chief business," and must therefore command the interest of every good citizen. The following pages contain a brief account of some of the things done or planned in our schools during the year. Matters concerning the district as a whole are first presented, and later those regarding the particular towns. I trust that all who may have read thus far may continue the reading to the end.

ATTENDANCE.

Regular and punctual attendance on the part of pupils is essential to the attainment of the ends of the schools. The laws of the Commonwealth require such attendance of all children between the ages of seven and fourteen, necessary absence only being excused.

The "per cent. of attendance" in the "Statistical Tables" which follow, and in the "Summary" here inserted, indicates the number of days of school attendance actually secured out of each hundred days due from the average membership. The per cent. in all the towns but Holden is slightly increased over

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

	HOLDEN.	OAKHAM.	PAXTON.	RUTLAND.	Total.
No. enrolled since September 1, 1901,	535	101	68	266	970
Average membership for year,	460.5	81.8	63.0	210.9	816.2
Average attendance for year,	414.5	76.5	54.6	184.9	730.5
Per cent. of attendance for year,	90.0	93.5	86.6	87.6	89.4
Per cent. of attendance for last year,	91.8	92.8	82.3	86.4	88.3

that of last year, but only Oakham exceeds the average for the state, which is 92. The average for the district, 89.4, means that more than one-tenth of the school time and expenditures was lost to those for whom the schools are provided. The loss by absence is really much greater than the per cent. indicates, as a pupil still suffers on account of his absence after he returns to school, through his inability to do the work which his classmates have done in his absence. If the teacher gives the irregular pupil special assistance in recovering his losses, it is often at the expense of the pupils who have been regular, so that others are losers as well as the delinquent. State Superintendent Schaeffer of Pennsylvania has calculated from the comparative earnings during a life time of an educated and an uneducated person that a child's school time, properly employed, is worth about ten dollars per day. Computed on this basis, the losses we suffer are enormous.

An examination of the registers will show that a large proportion of the absences are charged to a small proportion of the pupils. The large majority of parents exercise due care in the matter, and their children are fairly regular in attendance. It is the minority that the compulsory attendance law is designed to reach. It is plain that prosecution under the law will be necessary in some cases to remedy the difficulty. I have the names of about thirty parents who "have failed for five day sessions or ten half-day sessions within a period of

STATISTICAL TABLES.

HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS. 1901-'02.	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Per cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
High School,	A. K. Learned, Prin., Lily E. Gunderson, Assistant,	{ Spring,	12	39.0	36.6	94.0	94.0	10
		{ Fall,	16	48.2	45.2	93.9		18
		{ Winter	11	48.8	46.0	94.1		2
Center Grammar,	Sadie G. Dexter, Alma M. Atwell,	{ Spring,	12	23.9	22.2	92.9	88.8	42
		{ Fall,	16	33.0	30.0	91.0		42
		{ Winter,	8	29.0	24.0	82.7		11
Center Primary,	Margery A. Rice, " "	{ Spring,	12	52.5	45.0	85.0	85.2	68
		{ Fall,	16	40.3	35.7	88.5		111
		{ Winter,	8	36.6	30.1	82.2		35
Jefferson Higher,	Edward B. Jones, Prin M. Bessie Tidd, "	{ Spring,	12	22.0	21.1	93.0	93.4	34
		{ Fall,	16	19.0	17.9	94.7		44
		{ Winter,	8	19.0	17.5	92.5		18
Jefferson, Room 4,	Clara K. Bascom, " "	{ Spring,	12	23.7	22.3	93.9	89.5	7
		{ Fall,	16	35.9	33.0	91.7		61
		{ Winte ,	8	30.8	25.6	82.9		15
Jefferson, Room 3,	Florence G. Holden, Elizabeth Hoxie,	{ Spring,	12	48.1	44.3	92.1	91.1	43
		{ Fall,	16	38.1	35.3	92.0		40
		{ Winter,	8	36.6	32.0	89.3		24
Jefferson, Room 2,	Grace F. Mulcahy, Esther C. Hendricks,	{ Spring,	12	30.0	28.3	95.4	91.1	22
		{ Fall,	16	38.8	35.9	92.6		21
		{ Winter,	8	37.7	32.3	85.5		15
Jefferson, Room 1,	Esther C. Hendricks, Mary L. Gove,	{ Spring,	12	38.5	34.9	91.6	85.0	24
		{ Fall,	16	27.7	23.7	88.4		8
		{ Winter	8	24.9	17.8	75.1		4
Chaffin, Grammar,	Florence L. Johnson, " "	{ Spring,	12	26.1	25.0	96.0	92.4	1
		{ Fall,	16	32.2	30.0	93.3		3
		{ Winter,	8	34.8	30.8	88.4		1
Chaffin, Primary,	Mabel C. Reid, " "	{ Spring,	12	29.1	26.5	91.1	85.9	5
		{ Fall,	16	25.6	23.6	94.4		6
		{ Winter,	8	27.5	19.0	72.2		5
Quinapoxet, Grammar,	G. Georgiana Gibbs, Effalene H. King, Alice Frye,	{ Spring,	12	14.6	13.9	95.2	90.1	0
		{ Fall,	16	28.9	27.0	93.2		31
		{ Winter,	8	29.4	24.2	81.9		40
Quinapoxet, Primary,	Jennie M. Childs, Lillian A. Warner,	{ Spring,	12	33.7	32.0	94.9	88.3	15
		{ Fall,	16	26.7	24.8	92.5		49
		{ Winter,	8	25.5	19.8	77.6		32
North Woods,	Margaret G. Fleming, " "	{ Spring,	12	17.7	16.6	94.5	96.1	4
		{ Fall,	16	16.2	15.8	97.5		5
		{ Winter,	8	15.9	15.4	96.5		13
Springdale,	A. Florence Kirby, " "	{ Spring,	12	19.0	17.4	91.6	79.5	6
		{ Fall,	16	19.0	14.6	88.0		15
		{ Winter,	8	14.0	8.0	59.0		4
Dawson,	Catherine E. Crowe, " "	{ Spring,	12	23.0	21.3	92.0	92.0	9
		{ Fall,	16	16.4	15.2	92.0		3
		{ Winter,	7	19.1	17.7	92.0		11
South,	Sadie I. Packard, " "	{ Spring,	12	22.4	22.3	99.7	98.1	1
		{ Fall,	16	21.2	21.0	98.9		4
		{ Winter,	8	20.8	19.9	95.8		16

PAXTON.

SCHOOL.	TEACHERS.	TERMS. 1901-'02.	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Per cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
Grammar,	{ Mary H. Dow, Rachel U. Cornwell,	Spring,	12	14.9	13.0	87.3	85.8	36
		Fall,	13	17.0	14.8	87.4		70
		Winter,	9	15.6	12.9	82.8		80
Intermediate,	{ M. Alice Converse, " "	Spring,	12	23.1	20.5	88.9	88.2	40
		Fall,	13	20.8	19.2	92.0		20
		Winter,	9	23.5	19.6	83.8		63
Primary,	{ Rena Chadwick, Lulu M. Baker,	Spring,	12	26.4	22.8	86.4	86.0	29
		Fall,	13	24.1	21.1	87.5		2
		Winter,	9	23.9	20.1	84.2		28

RUTLAND.

High School,	{ Frank P. Ayer, Prin., Edith Brown, Assistant,	Spring,	12	15.8	14.9	89.4	89.6	14
		Fall,	12	33.9	32.4	96.1		17
		Winter,	9	31.2	26.1	83.3		52
Center Grammar,	{ Jennie B. Burnham, " "	Spring,	12	39.9	36.0	90.2	87.1	18
		Fall,	12	48.9	44.1	90.0		29
		Winter,	9	44.4	36.2	81.3		84
Center Intermediate,	{ Jennie B. Haskell, Louise Livermore,	Spring,	12	32.0	28.9	90.0	86.0	30
		Fall,	12	36.5	32.9	89.0		58
		Winter,	9	38.6	31.1	79.1		98
Center Primary	{ Helen H. Jacques, Annie M. Jenness,	Spring,	12	59.4	52.5	84.0	79.6	44
		Fall,	12	44.8	38.8	86.0		36
		Winter,	9	31.6	26.5	69.0		50
North Rutland,	{ Grace E. Damon, " "	Spring,	12	32.6	27.3	83.6	81.9	18
		Fall,	12	28.3	24.6	87.0		75
		Winter,	10	28.4	21.3	75.0		46
West Rutland.	{ Lucy M. Grant, " "	Spring,	12	26.0	25.0	96.0	93.5	0
		Fall,	12	30.0	28.1	93.6		32
		Winter,	9	31.0	29.0	91.0		9

OAKHAM.

Center Grammar,	{ Florence E. Bothwell, " "	Spring,	10	18.0	17.5	97.6	95.8	12
		Fall,	11	15.2	14.6	96.4		13
		Winter,	11	16.9	15.8	93.6		21
Center Primary,	{ Minnie M. Mellen, " "	Spring,	10	21.5	20.7	95.7	95.7	18
		Fall,	11	20.0	19.0	95.3		0
		Winter,	11	20.2	19.4	96.3		0
Coldbrook,	{ Alice Flitcroft, Lena R. Edmands,	Spring,	13	13.5	13.2	97.6	91.6	1
		Fall,	10	12.8	12.0	93.3		5
		Winter,	11	13.6	11.5	84.0		6
South,	{ Alice Dwelley, Julia M. Barnard, Mrs. Minnie Woodis,	Spring,	10	14.7	13.2	87.0	88.0	3
		Fall,	11	16.8	15.2	90.0		2
		Winter,	11	15.9	14.0	87.0		3
West,	{ Julia M. Barnard, Althea Russell, " "	Spring,	10	13.7	13.0	95.0	94.0	10
		Fall,	11	15.7	14.8	94.0		0
		Winter,	11	17.0	15.8	93.0		15

six months" to cause their children to attend school as the statute requires. Such parents, on conviction, are liable to a fine of "not more than twenty dollars." One father is apparently liable to such fine twice during the past year for each of five children.

The school authorities are permitted to excuse cases of necessary absence, and the responsibility of determining the necessity is placed upon them alone. The school authorities are therefore legally entitled to know the reason for the absence. The teachers are instructed to ascertain as promptly as possible the reason of each absence, and to make a record on the register as to whether it is excused or unexcused. Illness, extreme inclemency of the weather, and a few other reasons are accepted as valid. Absence on account of work required by the parent is the kind which the law specially aims to prevent, and therefore is usually unexcused.

The truant officers of a town are often at a distance, and it is sometimes impossible to report to them promptly cases needing their attention. Teachers will be instructed to use all diligence in accounting for absences, and to call on the officers when it is necessary. A blank for the teacher's report will be furnished, and also for the officer's report of his investigations. The truant officers usually find that the parent, not the child, is the blameworthy party, though a few voluntary truants have been found.

The "Summary" shows that Oakham has the highest average per cent. of attendance, as last year. A glance through the tables will show the comparative regularity of the different schools. The South school, in Holden, still has the best record of any in the district, and its per cent., 98.1, is higher than that of last year. The teacher has been many years in this school, and there has been developed in the neighborhood an ideal public sentiment on the matter of attendance. The children go to their business as regularly as older persons go to theirs, and the parents are as interested in getting the children to school as in getting the milk to the market.

It will be seen that there are several schools which are not far behind Miss Packard's. With the co-operation of children,

teachers, parents, committees, and of truant officers when required, it is hoped that the number of such schools may be largely increased.

Emphasis is placed on this subject as a matter of business. We wish to have the towns receive in school benefits what they pay for. But more important than this is the moral value to the child of the training into habits of regularity and promptness which school attendance involves. Such habits are the foundation of success in any sphere of life.

THE BUSINESS VIEW OF SCHOOL WORK.

In my report of last year I presented some ideas on the school regarded as a business enterprise. The article was honored by a reprint in *The Journal of Education*. Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, superintendent of public instruction in Pennsylvania, presents another phase of this subject in such an impressive manner that I wish to bring his view to the attention of our citizens. Superintendent Schaeffer writes:

Assuming that an ignorant man has work three hundred days in a year and earns a dollar and a half a day (certainly a liberal estimate), he can in forty years earn \$18,000. The work of an educated man is paid by the month or the year, seldom by the day. Assuming that an educated man earns \$1000 a year (a low average estimate), we see that in forty years his earnings will amount to \$40,000. The difference of \$22,000 should be credited to the years spent in getting an education. Dividing this amount by the days necessary to get a good education, say twelve years of nine months each, or eleven years of 200 days each, we get as the value of a day properly improved at school a sum equal to ten dollars. * * * *

The figures do not appear incredible to those who are familiar with the well-known calculation of United States Commissioner Harris, who compares the average earnings of every man, woman and child in the United States (average school life equal to four years of two hundred days each) with the average earnings in the State of Massachusetts (where the average school life is seven years of two hundred days each) and finds an excess of earnings which amounts for the entire population of that Commonwealth to the magnificent sum of two hundred and fifty million dollars annually.

If a boy has not made a mistake in selecting his parents, that is, if he has been born with a sound mind in a sound body, if he grows up in a good home and enjoys the tuition of good teachers for the time above specified, which, of course, includes a good high school course, the calculation that a boy's time at school is worth ten dollars a day will not be found

far wrong. If to the high school course he adds college and professional courses, a simple calculation will show that the time properly improved in study is worth double, if not many times, this amount. If, on the other hand, he abridges his school days by irregular attendance or by absence either at the beginning or end of the term, he inevitably diminishes the value of the days on which he attends school. In other words, the value of school days is enhanced by regular attendance, by the length and thoroughness of the course of study pursued, whilst their value in future earning power is diminished by breaks in the attendance, by short terms of school, by poor teaching and by failure to improve the time spent at school. * * * * *

It is apparent that if a farmer keeps his ten-year-old son at home to do work which is paid for at the rate of a dollar and a half a day, while every day of the boy's time properly spent at school yields ten dollars in future earning capacity, he is really robbing eight and a half dollars from the family estate. Even if this result is two or three times as high as it should be, the foregoing still remains a case of robbing the boy of future earning capacity.

THE WORK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

The only specific power granted by statute to a school superintendent in Massachusetts is that of approving "age and schooling certificates" for children over fourteen employed in factories. His function of "the care and supervision of the public schools" is exercised "under the direction and control of the committee." Whatever theoretical confusion may exist as to the respective duties of the committee and superintendent, no practical difficulty has arisen in this district. Some of the work performed "under the direction and control of the committee" is described below:

1. *Visiting Schools.*—Nearly all the school days have been spent in the school-rooms, only an occasional day being taken for pressing work at the office. School visitation includes the observation of the work of the teacher and pupils, the giving of lessons intended to illustrate or suggest future lines of effort for the teacher, the testing of pupils with reference to suggestions previously given, and general consultation with the teacher on matters of instruction or management. Commendation or suggestion is frequently written in a note-book furnished for the purpose to every teacher's desk.

2. *Teachers' Meetings.*—Two regular meetings have been held in each town in each of the fall and spring terms, and one in the winter term. At these meetings the broader aspects of our work have been discussed, with a view to making them helpful to teachers of all grades. At several of the meetings special papers by teachers have been presented, and in all, opportunity for general discussion has been given. The winter meeting had for its topic "Moral Culture in the School."

In the spring term, four special meetings, described elsewhere, were held for instruction in drawing. In the same term an institute was held at Rutland for all the teachers of the district. At this meeting we enjoyed the helpful services of Mr. J. W. MacDonald, agent of the Board of Education, and of Mr. Walter Sargent, the assistant agent for drawing. In the fall term nearly all our teachers attended the meeting of the Worcester County Teachers' Association.

At the next regular meeting in the towns, "The Teaching of Geography" will be considered. Members of the committees and all others interested are invited to attend and participate.

3. *The Teachers' Portfolio.*—Each teacher has been furnished a durable portfolio in which to preserve mimeographed pages of directions, outlines of topics for meetings, suggestions for special study, and other matter sent to her by the superintendent from time to time. She is directed to place in the same portfolio her own notes of teachers' meetings. This portfolio is very useful to the permanent teacher, and is even more so to the new teacher as a means of informing her of the plans of work in progress with which she is expected to fall in line. The portfolio now contains thirty-seven pages. A few of the titles included in its contents are the following: "Training and Teaching," "Some Fundamentals in Arithmetic," "Directions for Written Examinations," "The Care of School Material," "Notes for the New Year," "Patrons' Day," "Notes on the Three R's," "Morals and Manners."

4. *The Nomination of Teachers.*—Except in a few instances where satisfactory teachers have been immediately available,

the filling of vacancies in the teaching force has involved considerable preliminary correspondence, and the sifting of candidates. The superintendent has done this work, and has nominated to the committees the best teachers he could find at the salary allowed. In several instances committees have placed upon the superintendent the entire responsibility of the choice.

5. *Examinations and Promotions.*—The superintendent intends, through both oral and written examinations, to keep informed as to the progress of classes, and to have before him in tangible form the data on which to base his action in deciding cases where promotion is doubtful. Examinations are given also for the purpose of learning the results of teaching on special points, with a view to the guidance of the teacher.

6. *The Purchase of Books and Supplies.*—In the choice of books to be recommended for purchase the most careful consideration has been given to the character of the books, and to the special needs designed to be met by their use. By careful investigation of the market, and by purchasing for the whole district, the standard school supplies have been obtained at low prices.

Miscellaneous Duties.—The correspondence of the office, the examination of new text-books, the reading of current educational periodicals and a few, at least, of the best new books in pedagogy, together with the special preparation of his daily work, furnish occupation for the superintendent's evenings, Saturdays, and the school vacations. He himself can take no vacations from September to June, and only a short one in the summer.

When the long rides incident to a country superintendency are added to all the foregoing, it may be inferred that the office is no sinecure. However, the interesting nature of the work, the co-operation of loyal and responsive teachers, the support of able committees, the opportunity of acquaintance with so many intelligent citizens, and the pleasure of seeing progress in the schools have rendered the labor very enjoyable.

TEACHING AND TEACHERS.

A new and higher conception of the importance of the work of the public school in our social development, formerly held only by the few, has now become general. The spread of this higher conception of school work has greatly increased the demands upon the teacher. A love for children and power to control them, patience, evenness of temper, natural tact, and a high moral character, are as essential as ever, but, in addition to all these qualities, the teacher who perfectly fulfills the obligations of her position must be capable of being and willing to be a *student*.

The modern conception regards the formal work of the school-room as an attempt to stimulate to fullest exercise, and to guide in the most profitable channels, the native activities of the child. This conception requires on the teacher's part an acquaintance, the fuller the better, with the whole "circle of the sciences," with history and literature, and with all the fields from which she is to draw nutriment for the minds to whose growth she is called to minister. Whatever her previous academic preparation, if she is to arouse and maintain the interest of pupils in the subjects she teaches, her own interest in those subjects must be kept alive by fresh and extended study of them.

The child himself, his nature and peculiarities, and the laws of his growth, form another field to which the teacher must apply her mind. This phase of the teacher's work has become in recent years one of the most vital interest. The results of the labors of specialists in "child study" are becoming available to the common school teacher, and she must reduce them to her service.

Again, the whole subject of methods of teaching, or the best ways of adapting the material of instruction to the growing mind, demands constant study from the teacher.

About all these lines of investigation there now exists a growing body of valuable literature, with which the earnest, progressive teacher must seek acquaintance.

In short, the instruction and management of a school is a complex and difficult art, requiring for its most successful

practice a sound body and a vigorous intellect, warm emotions, with unflinching tact and self-control, strong sympathy with children, and, added to all this, liberal scholarship, special professional preparation and continued study of the art and its underlying science. The attempt on the part of conscientious teachers to meet all these requirements, added to the nervous expenditure incident to vital, vigorous teaching, renders necessary the greatest economy of time and energy. Rational recreation and occasional relief from the burden are requisite in order to maintain the desirable physical and mental condition. Parents may do much to lighten the labor of teachers by expression of appreciation, by avoidance of uninformed criticism, and by seeking to establish unity of aim and effort in the relations of home and school. The teacher has been taken into partnership with the parent in the great enterprise of educating the children. Mutual acquaintance and esteem are essential to the highest success of the enterprise.

THE COURSE OF STUDY.

No complete course of studies for all the schools of the district has yet been formulated. Conditions vary so much in the several towns, and even among the schools of a town, that it has been thought wiser to let the process of *growing together* continue for at least another year before attempting definite common requirements in the various subjects. Unity of purpose and common observance of fundamental principles have been sought, however, and soon a definite though flexible general course of studies will be useful. Some of the aims and results of our work in special subjects are described below.

Reading.—The development of power to read well orally has been particularly emphasized. Pupils are now generally required to stand before the class, and to read *to* the class and the teacher. Good oral reading is conceived as involving, (a) thinking the author's thoughts and sharing his feelings; (b) adequately expressing with the voice those thoughts and feelings; and (c) arousing similar thoughts and feelings in the

minds of the hearers. As a result of persistent effort on the part of teachers there has been marked improvement in the oral reading.

Another phase of the subject was emphasized in a circular to teachers, which I quote:

Development of power to study is one of the pressing needs in all the schools. Ability *to read* the text is one of the essential conditions preliminary to the *study* of the text. The *oral* reading of matter to be studied will often be valuable in showing the teacher the pupil's difficulties. Problems in arithmetic, grammar lessons, geography and history lessons may all be used in *learning to read*, and thus giving the pupil power *to read to learn*.

I ask every teacher to give special attention to this matter of developing power in pupils *to read* and to *study* the printed matter in their hands. Try experiments and report results. *Persevere* in devices found useful.

In the purchase of material for reading, it has been the aim to secure one good standard series of reading books as far as the fourth book, which every child should carefully read, and to add to this series as many other good books of corresponding grade as can be profitably used. An increased amount, as well as improved quality, is desired in our school reading.

Arithmetic.—In my report of last year I referred to certain fundamental ideas which we were seeking to incorporate into the thinking and the school-room practice of the teachers. Some of these ideas may be thus stated:

1. Numbering is a mode of judgment used in measuring quantity. The result of the measurement is a number.

2. The child begins to measure and number long before he comes to school. *Men* are constantly measuring and numbering in all the arts of life. The intervening school period should train and develop the numbering instinct as a preparation for the needs of later life. Becoming acquainted with the units of measurement, and learning to use them *by using them* should form a large part of the arithmetic work.

3. All number work should be upon material which is *real* to the child. Hence, in neither elementary nor advanced arithmetic, should the work be pushed far beyond the pupil's experiences and needs. All arithmetic should be *mental*, in

the sense that the *mind* is employed upon the realities involved, whether at the same time the pencil is used or not.

4. In the daily class-room exercises, the following aims should be persistently sought: (a) The development of power to image and hold before the mind the magnitudes, conditions, and requirements of the problem in hand. (b) The development of power to reason upon the conditions given. (c) The development of power to perform the computations required with *accuracy* and reasonable speed. (d) The development of power to express in an orderly, clear, and positive manner the thinking involved in the solution of the problem.

As was reported last year, the Werner series was considered the best text-book help to the teacher in her efforts to embody these ideas in practice. The books have now been in use more than a year in some schools, and where the teacher has comprehended and faithfully applied their plan, superior results have appeared. The introduction of the books has now been begun in all the towns of the district, and it is expected that, as pupils come up through the new course, a distinct advance over previous results will be evident.

Physiology.—An extract from a circular to teachers will show what has been attempted in this subject:

Each teacher will give a course of at least thirty lessons in physiology during the winter. In buildings of two or more rooms, the lessons may be given to all the pupils of a room at once. In "ungraded" schools it will usually be advisable to form two classes.

In conducting the course, the following considerations should be observed:

1. The subject as defined by statute is "physiology and hygiene, which, in both divisions of the subject, shall include special instruction as to the effects of alcoholic drinks, narcotics and stimulants on the human system." It is to be taught to "all pupils in all schools as a regular branch of study."

2. The general method should be observational and experimental, with the study of a text-book in the higher grades as a means of reviewing and fixing the matter presented in previous *oral* lessons. Observations of the living human body should be supplemented by the study of material from the butcher, microscopic slides, charts, pictures, and other illustrative material.

3. The structure and function of the bodily organs should be taught mainly as a means of making clear and impressive the facts of practical hygiene. The main test of success is the formation and strengthening of

healthful habits of living on the part of pupils. The *practical* should be kept in the foreground.

4. The demonstrated facts in regard to the effects of alcoholic drinks, tobacco, etc., should be taught as a part of practical hygiene. The moral effects of the use of these substances should be judiciously but positively presented. "Total abstinence" may be safely urged as the wisest course.

5. While formal and direct instruction may be limited to a few weeks of the year, the maintenance of healthful conditions in the school-room, and the securing of healthful practices on the part of pupils should be the teacher's continuous care.

With this circular there was furnished to the teachers a somewhat detailed course of lessons under the following general topics: "The Body as a Whole," "The Skin," "The Digestive Organs," "The Blood," "Review of Nutrition," "Foods and Beverages." From observations I have made, I judge the course has been conducted with fair success.

Nature Study.—This subject is conceived as an attempt to continue in the school by simple, direct and natural means the process of getting acquainted with his surroundings which the child spontaneously begins in the cradle, and to develop into lasting forms his innate interest in the natural world. Nearly all the teachers have reported successful work in the subject. To show the meaning and spirit of nature study, I can do no better than to quote from the last report of the Secretary of the Board of Education:

The development ideal suggests that here is a magnificent field for the children to work in, accessible at the seaside, among the mountains, in the city, in the country, in seed time and harvest, always attractive, and full of challenges to closer acquaintance. Why not utilize in fuller measure the child's interest in nature, lead him to more acute observation of her facts and to a freer use of them in expression, put them on the trail of some of her wondrous thoughts, and quicken his soul in her stimulating presence? May not this be done in non-bookish, personal, active, natural, out-door ways? The great thoughts of nature little children may grasp, or at least the germs of them. * * * * Surely, the main thing here is a teacher fond of nature, and competent to take the children to her. Much can be done even without a set programme of themes and times. Now, nature study in some such spirit as this is not an overtax for children, but a recreation. The burden is for the teacher who cannot direct it.

Drawing.—This subject is among those required by statute. For the most successful work a special teacher is usually considered necessary. Such a teacher is employed in the Holden

High School one day per week, but in no other schools. The regular teachers are making creditable efforts in the subject, and in many cases good results are secured.

During the spring term Miss Emily Dickinson, teacher of drawing in the Holden High School, was employed to give special instruction to the teachers. Two classes were formed, one at Holden, for the Holden teachers, and the other at Rutland, for the teachers of that town and of Oakham and Paxton. Each class met four times on Saturday mornings, spending nearly three hours in practical work under Miss Dickinson's direction. Nearly all the teachers attended every meeting, and found the instruction very helpful. The expense was shared by the towns in proportion to the number of teachers.

As a guide in their work, the teachers use the outline course prepared by the state agents for drawing. Two lessons per week are given.

Other Subjects.—The superintendent has given due attention to the other subjects of the elementary course, and also to the high school subjects. The written examinations, as well as his observations, show that we are making decided gains over last year in the thoroughness of the teaching and the character of its results.

PATRONS' DAY.

It is proposed to make general this year a plan which was carried out successfully by several schools in the district last year. For the purpose of promoting acquaintance with the work of the schools on the part of patrons, a special day will be observed during the coming spring term, which, for want of a better name, we may call "Patrons' Day." Special invitations to visit the school will be issued, and an opportunity will be given visitors (a) to observe the teacher and pupils engaged in their regular daily work of teaching, study, and recitation; (b) to inspect an exhibit of pupils' written papers, drawings, and other handiwork, and (c) to participate in a conference on matters of common interest to patrons and teachers.

Preparation for the day involves (a) the doing of the regular work of the school day by day through the year in the best manner possible; (b) the preservation as completed of each pupil's handiwork, and the final arrangement of it for convenient inspection; (c) the planning by the teacher of a simple, informal programme for the conference.

The exhibit of work should include the pupil's writing books, and other exercise books, his compositions, samples of written recitations and test exercises, maps and other drawings, in short, anything tangible by which the results and something of the methods of the school may be seen or inferred. Nothing is to be done simply for display, but the pupil is to be led to do the things judged best for him in the best way, and the work exhibited for inspection and criticism.

The schools belong to the parents every day in the year, and visits are welcomed at any time. But when the invitations for "Patrons' Day" are received, it is hoped that every parent will plan to spend a half day in school with his children. Extended experience with the plan described leaves no doubt of its success.

THE TOWNS IN PARTICULAR.

Repairs.—The thorough renovation of the four single-room buildings, recommended in my report last year, was accomplished during the summer vacation. The two rooms at the Centre were also renovated. By careful attention to the selection of the colors of paint and paper, a pleasing effect was produced without addition to the cost. The superintendent spent considerable time during the summer in the oversight of these repairs and of other work.

Attention was called last year to the desirability of replacing the furniture of three rooms with adjustable seats and desks. Such seats and desks have recently been purchased for the room most needing them, the grammar room at Chaffin.

During the coming year, the large building at Jefferson will need repainting outside, and kalsomining and otherwise freshening within. The heating plant at Quinapoxet is reported as needing complete renewal.

Teachers.—We were obliged to secure six new teachers during the summer vacation. One of these resigned at the end of the fall term. We consider ourselves fortunate in having so strong a force of teachers as the one now employed. All have been re-elected.

In organizing the schools in September, the pupils were so distributed in the various rooms that no assistants were required, as was the case in some rooms the previous year.

Consolidation.—The committee has considered in former years the advisability of conveying the pupils of the North Woods school to Jefferson. The families are so located that this could easily be done, and the children would receive much greater advantages in the grades at Jefferson. I strongly recommend that transportation be begun at the opening of the fall term.

The Ninth Grade.—The plan suggested last year of placing all the ninth-grade pupils of the town in the high school building for instruction by the high school teachers was adopted by the committee. The fact that the high school would comprise but two regular classes this year made the time particularly opportune for the introduction of the plan. Twenty-two pupils have formed the grade. The attendance and interest of the class have been very commendable. Those who pass to the high school will enter with a much better preparation than previous classes have had, and should be able to do more and better work. Special attention is being given to the grades just below the ninth, so that more advanced and stronger work in the high school will be rendered possible as successive classes reach it.

High School.—Secretary Hill recently wrote the following of the small country high schools:

High schools with two teachers can only do justice to a full high school course when the work is reduced to the simplest and most manageable forms. It is difficult for such schools to do much in science; laboratories are generally not feasible; the conditions favor a bookish trend, rather. And yet, if they are fortunate in their teachers, these small high schools, in spite of their limitations, render a valuable service.

The Holden High School has been "fortunate in its teachers," and has rendered "valuable service" to the town. With

a view of making that service still more valuable, the committee have approved the plan of offering two courses of study instead of one, as heretofore. The new course will require no Latin, and will aim to meet the needs of those who prefer not to pursue that subject. Mr. Learned, the principal, has written of this matter in his report which follows:

Mr. Herbert J. Jones,
Superintendent of Schools:

The present enrollment of pupils and arrangement of classes in the High School require that attention be given to that perennial subject of school supervision, the revision of the course of study in the High School.

As a result of a careful study of the immediate situation by those most thoroughly acquainted with it, of a comparison of courses of study in schools of the same rank as this, and of consideration of suggestions offered by the agents of the State Board of Education, it is hoped that at the beginning of another school-year, lines of work may be arranged that will furnish somewhat more of science, of history, and of literature than has been possible in the past, without detracting in the least from the results which have been sought in mathematics, Latin, French and English.

The effort should be made to furnish two courses of study of equal thoroughness and of equal educational value. No pupil, after adopting one of these, should be allowed, except for the best of reasons, to change his work. Too much laxity in this respect has been allowed in the past. Every pupil should take at least three studies, in two of which he should be held to the most rigorous standards of preparation and recitation. Any course that, because of the number of studies in it, makes it seem necessary for the teacher to accept shiftless methods of preparation and recitation is to be condemned, not only by teachers and superintendents, but by parents and pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

A. K. LEARNED, Principal.

The successful conduct of the broadened high school courses of study will require direct and vigorous methods of teaching, a considerable increase in the amount of study required from pupils, and possibly a lengthening of the present school day. Mr. Learned's confidence in the feasibility of the new plan is shared by the superintendent, and the committee may be assured of a substantial addition to the usefulness of the high school, which is now the pride of the town. When the number of high school classes becomes complete

again, the work of these classes, with that of the ninth grade, will make the employment of a third teacher imperative.

Seven students received diplomas at the hands of the superintendent last June, and one a certificate of the work completed. The class left as their gift to the school a bust of Shakespeare.

Two of the seven graduates have entered the Normal School at Worcester, two returned to the high school for further work, one is preparing for college by private study, and two are engaged in business. There is no senior class the present year.

RUTLAND.

Repairs.—The North Rutland building was much improved by repairs during the summer. A defect which has developed since will need attention this year. The West Rutland building is now in very poor condition, and should be completely renovated during the coming summer.

Attendance.—The Roll of Honor printed in the committee's report, and the fact that many whose names do not appear in it have been absent very little, shows that commendation is deserved by the majority of pupils and parents. But there is room for marked improvement in the record of many others. One part of the town in particular will probably require the closer attention of the truant officers in order to bring about the regular attendance desired.

Equipment.—Some progress has been made in furnishing the schools with improved text-books since my service began, but limited means have prevented the purchase of other much-needed equipment. The town has little in the line of globes, maps, supplementary reading, reference books, apparatus for the high school, and other useful appliances. A considerable sum may be wisely spent in improving our outfit for effective teaching.

Teachers.—Miss Helen Jacques, who had efficiently conducted the Centre primary school for several years, resigned in June to be married, and Miss Jennie Haskell, who had similar-

ly served in the intermediate room, resigned for a needed rest. We were fortunate in retaining all the other teachers. The two vacancies were satisfactorily filled. The retention of the whole of our present force is very desirable.

By placing the eighth grade at the Centre in the high school room, and by the proper distribution of the other grades, we were able to dispense with an assistant in the primary room.

High School.—The quotation from Secretary Hill in the Holden notes, and the remarks following, apply also here. Mr. Ayer and Miss Brown, his assistant, have won the approbation of the committee and the community for their effective work. Mr. Ayer reports as follows:

To the Superintendent of Schools:

As heretofore, the high school teachers have striven for accuracy and thoroughness on the part of pupils in every study. It is obviously impossible, considering the length of our school year, to cover so much ground as many high schools do, but a thorough grasp of the work attempted has been insisted upon.

The work has been greatly hindered by the lack of necessary appliances to make the various courses practical, and by the irregular attendance of the pupils. We feel it impossible to obtain satisfactory results, unless each pupil is present every session, thus avoiding the necessity of re-assigning lessons and repeating explanations day after day for the benefit of those who have been absent.

Much of the success of our schools depends upon parents. It is presumed that the parents of our pupils are deeply interested in our schools, though it has not been manifested in so great a degree as is possible. Those parents who train their children to respect and obey their teachers, encouraging them to study at home, and insisting upon their regular attendance at school, greatly assist the teachers and add much to the effectiveness of the school.

A moderate expenditure for maps, physical apparatus and reference books will aid greatly in making the courses more interesting and instructive.

We have especially striven in all written work to gain neatness, correct spelling, and good expression. Although there is still much to be acquired along these lines, nevertheless much improvement has been made.

"We have set as our ambition, not the training of the mind merely, but the development of character; in such a work as this, all good citizens may have a part."

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK PERCY AYER, Principal.

The problem of courses of study to fit the varying needs of all the pupils of a town, and which, at the same time, can be

practically carried out with two teachers, has never yet been adequately solved. The committee has adopted the following courses as the best solution at present considered feasible:

COURSES OF STUDY—RUTLAND HIGH SCHOOL.

ADOPTED MARCH, 1902.

YEAR.	CLASSICAL COURSE.	ENGLISH COURSE.
I.	Latin, 5 English, 5 Algebra, ... 4 History, 4 Drawing, 1 ————— 19	English, 5 Algebra, 4 History, 4 Physical Geography, 2 terms, } 4 Botany, 1 term, } Drawing, 1 ————— 18
II.	Latin, 4 English, 3 French, 4 History, 3 Algebra 1 term, } 4 Geometry, 2 terms, } Drawing, 1 ————— 19	English, 5 French, 4 History, 3 Algebra, 1 term, } 4 Geometry, 2 terms, } Drawing, 1 ————— 17
III.	Latin, 5 English, 3 French, 5 Geometry, 1 term, } 5 Physics, 2 terms, } Drawing, 1 ————— 19	English, 5 French, 5 Geometry, 1 term, } 5 Physics, 2 terms, } Commercial Arithmetic } 3 and Book-keeping, } Drawing, 1 ————— 19
IV.	Latin, 5 English, 3 French, 5 Geology and Astronomy, 1st half, } 5 Review Mathematics, 2d half } ————— 18	English, 5 French, 5 Geology and Astronomy, 1st half, } Review Mathematics, 2d half, } 5 Civics, 3 ————— 18

Notes.—The figure after each subject indicates the number of exercises per week.

Declamations and the reading of essays are required of all pupils. Spelling lessons will be given as needed.

The Classical Course is especially designed for those pupils who intend to continue their studies elsewhere, while the English Course is arranged for those whose school life will probably end with the high school. Both courses are subject to such modifications as circumstances may require.

The courses are planned to follow an eight-years' course in the elementary schools. The introduction of a ninth grade below the high school may be a development of the future.

The fact that there will be no third-year class next year, and possibly no graduating class, makes the present a favorable time to begin the new plan of work. Five young people expect to receive the diploma of the school next June.

The law of 1898 requires that the high school shall be kept at least forty weeks, exclusive of vacations. Non-compliance with the law incurs no penalty, however, unless the length of schooling falls below thirty-six weeks, in which case the town legally forfeits its share of the income of the state school fund. In order to avoid this loss the committee has arranged to add the requisite time to the present high school year.

OAKHAM.

Repairs.—The Coldbrook building was improved by inside painting during the summer.

I am told that the West school building has been in use for more than a hundred years. By proper repairs it may be made to serve another century. A new blackboard and some minor changes are present needs.

New sanitary arrangements for the boys at the Centre have been needed for a long time. It is hoped that the need may be supplied before this report reaches its readers.

Books and Apparatus.—The first books of new series in arithmetic, language, and geography were introduced last year. The classes will be ready for the succeeding books during the coming year. The new books are giving satisfaction.

A supply of "The Seven Little Sisters," a charming geographical supplementary reading book, was purchased during the year. Further additions to the supplementary reading list, and a more modern spelling-book than the one in use, are among the needs of the coming year.

The purchase of a set of wall maps for the Centre grammar room, and of a good globe for each of the other schools, is recommended.

Attendance.—Oakham again has the highest average per cent. of attendance of the towns of the district. There have been very few cases of negligence on the part of the parents and guardians in the matter of regularity, and practically no truancy. Parents, teachers, and pupils are to be congratulated on the record.

Consolidation.—The town employs five teachers for an average membership of about eighty pupils, which is a very liberal provision. The conditions with regard to Coldbrook and the West school seem to be such as to render any consolidation impracticable. The possibility of bringing the pupils of the South school to the Centre, with no increase of cost over that of maintaining the school, I consider worthy of the consideration of the committee.

Teachers.—At the opening of the fall term, Miss Barnard was transferred from the West to the South school, and Miss Althea Russell took charge of the West school. On account of illness, Miss Barnard was unable to return for the winter term, and her place was acceptably supplied by Mrs. Walter Woodis. Miss Blanche Packard will take charge of the school at the opening of the spring term. At the end of the fall term, Miss Flitcroft, at Coldbrook, resigned to accept a better position, and Miss Lena R. Edmands was secured for the place. Fortunately no change occurred at the Centre. In spite of the changes in the other schools good progress has been made.

After inspection of the teacher's work by Mr. McDonald, Agent of the Board of Education, the committee's application for an increase of salary for Miss Mellen, under the "exceptional ability" law, was approved. It is hoped that, with the aid of this law, we may finally be able to retain permanently the services of good teachers in the three other schools where the present salary permits the increase from the state.

Progress of Pupils.—The small number of pupils in each school has rendered it possible for the superintendent to know individually each child in the town. I have watched with great interest the progress of the children, and have rejoiced to note their growth in stature and mental power. Parents

may be assured that every class is moving steadily forward as rapidly as their capacity and the thorough mastery of the work permits.

All but one of the eighth grade pupils of the town are in the Centre grammar school. It is expected that this class will begin next year some of the usual high school subjects.

Examination Day.—The good old custom of visiting the school on the closing day of the term, to listen to the recitations of pupils and to observe their progress as shown in an oral examination by the committee, has been observed by a goodly number of parents during the year. The "Patrons' Day," described on another page, embodies the same aims, and in this town will be combined with "Examination Day." In addition to the usual features of that day, at the close of the spring term an exhibit of pupils' work will be displayed in each school. It is intended to show in all ways possible what is being done in the schools, and we invite the attendance of all. Visits of parents and others are also cordially welcomed at any time. Visitors will find diligent, well-behaved children, working under the guidance of earnest, conscientious teachers. Both will be greatly cheered and encouraged by a visit and a sympathetic word.

PAXTON.

The matter appropriate for the notes regarding the town of Paxton has already appeared in the report presented to the citizens at its early town meeting. I trust that all interested in the schools have read what was there written, as well as the preceding part of this report.

The work of the year has been much improved over that of last year in all the rooms. The new teachers engaged are both normal graduates with considerable experience. The approval by the Board of Education of an increase of salary from the state under the "exceptional ability" law, for both the teachers receiving from the town less than ten dollars per week, is complimentary to the teachers and the committee.

The work in the grammar room has been particularly interesting this year. The school has consisted of sixteen boys of

widely varying capacity and attainment. The teacher has largely applied the plan of individual instruction, allowing in some subjects each boy to work by himself, making whatever progress his ambition and power would enable him to make. The perception by the teacher of individual needs and her patient and sympathetic assistance have enabled several boys to make marked improvement. More frequent visits to the school on the part of parents, and free consultation with the teacher, while important in every school, would be particularly useful here, where co-operation is especially needed to secure the highest results in discipline and progress in study.

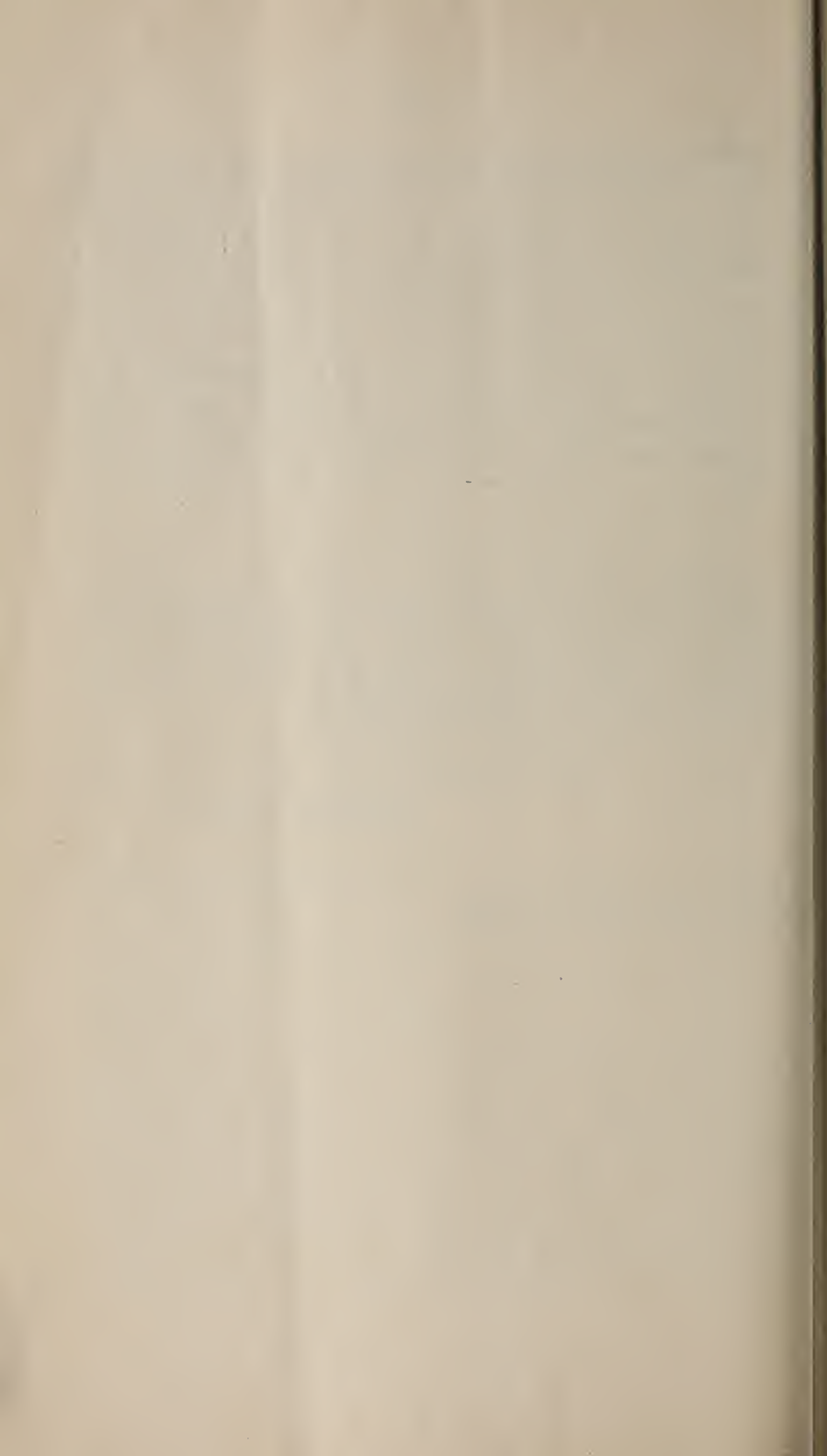
In closing this report, let me express my deep appreciation of the harmony and good will that have prevailed among all connected with the schools. To the ladies and gentlemen of the several committees my cordial thanks are due for their uniform kindness and unanimous support.

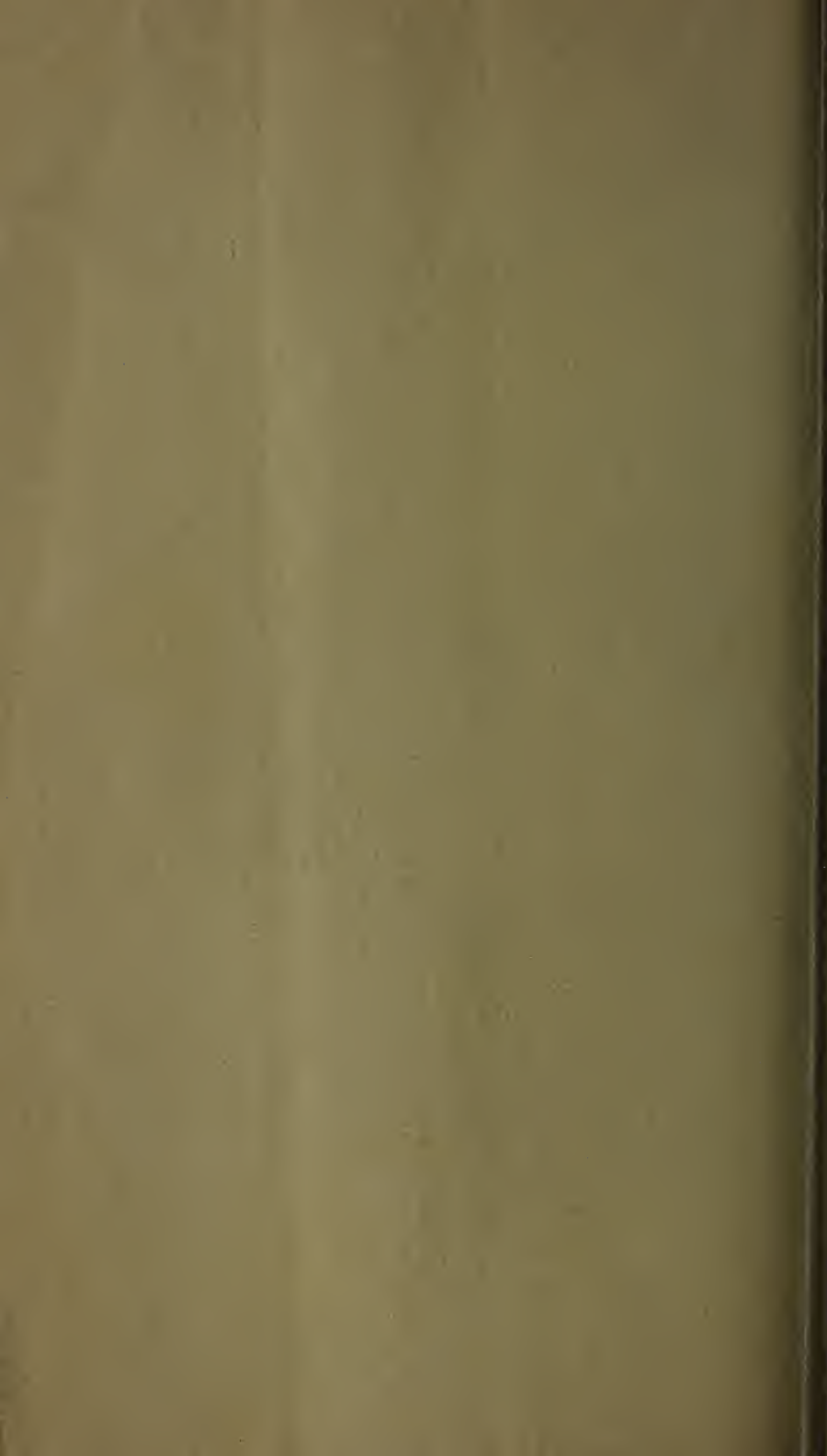
Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES,

Superintendent of Schools.

Holden, Mass., March 8, 1902.





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TREASURER AND COLLECTOR,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

AUDITOR,
A. F. BROWN.

*Resigned November 1, 1902.

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

To. J. WARREN MOULTON, Constable of the Town of Rutland, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the thirtieth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

✓ ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

✓ ART. 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers, and act thereon.

✓ ART. 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk for one year; for three Selectmen for one year; for three Assessors for one year; for three Overseers of Poor for one year; a Town Treasurer for one year; a Collector of Taxes for one year; five Constables for one year; an Auditor for one year; one member of the School Committee for three years; one member of the Water Commissioners for three years; one Trustee of Public Library for three years; a Surveyor of Highways for one year; one member of Board

of Health for three years; a Tree Warden for one year; and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in Town."

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The Polls will be opened at ten o'clock A. M. and may be closed at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

ART. 5. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer of the Town to borrow money for the use of the Town in anticipation of Taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer of the Town to borrow money, under the approval of the Selectmen, to refund its floating debt.

ART. 8. To see if the Treasurer of the Town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.

ART. 9. To see what sums of money the Town shall raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools; for transportation to and from our Public Schools; for repairs of Highways and Bridges; for support of Poor; for State and Military Aid; for salaries of Town Officers; for use on Memorial Day; for Contingent Expenses and Paying Debts.

X ART. 10. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

X ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday Law against Hunting and Fishing.

X ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to make an appropriation for the Water Department on account of Hydrant service.

X ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to give the Rural Cemetery Association the free use of Water for their Fountain, or act thereon.

X ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to extend its Water System, or act thereon.

X ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote to abate any Taxes in the hands of the Collector.

X ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to abate the Tax of 1902, assessed on the "Standard Woolen Mills" at North Rutland, or act thereon.

+ ART. 17. To see if the Town will vote to slope the roadside on the line of the new road on Pound Hill, from a point on the line between Walter L. Reed and Lois I. Fletcher, westerly to the driveway of Clinton W. Putnam, or act anything thereon.

X ART. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise the grade of the highway or highways which will be overflowed by the building of a dam at the Joseph Ware saw mill property in West Rutland, or act anything thereon.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote a sum of money, not exceeding one cent for every one hundred dollars of its valuation, toward the Statue in memory of the Soldiers of Worcester County and Gen. Devens.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 335, of the Revised Laws, relative to Term of Office of the Town Clerk, or act anything thereon.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will take any action in relation to the securing of an electric railway through the Town of Rutland, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting Attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of said Town. One at each Post Office and one at the Congregational Church in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereby, fail not to make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Seventeenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and three.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

For the Year ending March 1, 1903.

Dr.

We have drawn orders in favor of Holden Poor
Farm Association to the amount of \$225 25

OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid Mrs. Charles White, for board of Hannah Martin,	\$25 75
Paid Doctors' bill, casket and robe, for Hannah Martin,	22 50
Paid R. C. Prescott, burial of Patrick Connor,	15 00
Paid City of Worcester, for Ida Strong,	20 00
Paid Dr. W. E. Chamberlain, for Frank Strong,	30 00
Paid Drs. Snow and Wheeler, for Arthur Mun- dell,	80 75
Paid Druggist, medicine for Arthur Mundell,	16 20
Paid City of Worcester, for James Watwith,	17 00
Paid aid rendered Granville Lombard and family,	93 80

\$546 25

Brought forward,	\$546 25	
1901.		
Paid Town of Hubbardston, for Carrie Chickering,	36 00	
Paid Town of Warren, for Carrie Chickering,	19 98	
Paid Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton,	52 00	
Paid aid rendered Albert E. Clark,	39 31	
Paid R. C. Prescott, burial of Hannah Martin,	5 00	
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		\$698 54

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Received from State Board of Charity, for burial of Elijah Roberts,	\$10 00	
Received from State Board of Charity, for burial of Patrick Connor,	15 00	
Received from City of Malden, for Granville Lombard and family,	93 80	
Received for board of Preston Warren to February 5, when he left the Holden Farm,	14 50	
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		\$133 30
Net expense for supporting Poor the past year,		<hr/>
		\$565 24

W. H. MAYNARD,	} Overseers of Poor.
D. F. SMITH,	
J. E. WARE,	

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOLDEN POOR FARM ASSOCIATION,

For the Year ending January 31, 1903.

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT.

		HOLDEN.		Remarks.	No. Days
Names.	Age.	Admitted.			
Lizzie Kenney	46				365
Winifred Durdeen,	52				365
Charles Prue,	80				365
Jane Prue,	81	April 21,			285
Thomas O'Keefe,	70	Dec. 10,			52
					<hr/> 1,432

HUBBARDSTON.

David Rice,	84				365
Henry Clark,	24				365
Shirley Libby,	80	April 24,			283
John Neland,	81	Sept. 17,	away 32 days,		105
Andrew May,	53	Jan. 8,			23
John Wilson,	68	April 24,	dis. May 8,		14
Minnie Whitney,	8	Sept. 17,	dis, Nov. 11,		55
					<hr/> 1,210

OAKHAM.

Charles Winslow,	43				365
Benjamin Nourse,	73				365
					<hr/> 730

RUTLAND.

Rosa Roen,	65				365
John Kelly,	42		away 22 days,		343
Preston Warren.	80	admitted as a boarder	Dec. 17,		45
James Watwith,	45	Dec. 27,			35
					<hr/> 788

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Names.	Age.	Admitted.	Remarks.	No. Days.
PAXTON.				
Carrie Snow,	48			365
Lavina Pierce,	56			365
Jacob Rarle,	66			261
Clara Mixen,	65	April 20,	died June 1,	42
				<hr/> 1,033

TEMPLETON.				
Mary Seaver.	68		dis. May 26,	54
Sylvina Howe,	90	Aug. 26,	died Sept. 8,	13
Frank Hill,	76	Oct. 27,	died Jan. 29,	94
				<hr/> 161

PRINCETON.				
Henry Brown,	56	May 7,		269
John Black,	50	Aug. 19,		165
				<hr/> 434

WESTMINSTER.				
Adaline Eager,	62			365
Margaret Cronin,	57	committed to insane hos. Oct. 31,		273
Sarah Blake,	63			365
Jeremiah Lucius,	78			365
Frank A. Taylor,	59		died May 4,	93
Laura Freeman,	64		away 17 days,	348
				<hr/> 1,809

Total board furnished, 7,597 days, or 1,085 $\frac{2}{3}$ weeks.

Preston Warren, of Rutland, a veteran of the war of the rebellion, was admitted as a boarder December 17.

Total number inmates, 32, of whom 3 have died, 4 have been discharged, 1 committed to insane hospital, and 24 remain, making the weekly average 20 $\frac{1}{3}$.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Milk,	\$1,770 84
Stock,	188 50
Board,	40 00
Miscellaneous,	29 38
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	\$2,028 72

EXPENDITURES.

Warden's and Matron's salary,	\$600 00
Outside labor,	281 60
Inside labor,	156 37
Flour and grain,	988 31
Groceries,	488 72
Dry goods and furniture,	185 50
Meat and fish,	186 42
Boots and shoes,	32 94
Tools and seeds,	119 02
Blacksmithing,	53 00
Medical attendance and medicine,	71 28
Stock,	326 50
Fertilizer,	41 25
Ice,	9 60
Insurance,	36 23
Tobacco and snuff,	34 30
Miscellaneous,	89 93
Rent,	325 00
Interest on personal property,	120 99
Wood,	40 00
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	\$4,186 96
Less receipts,	2,028 72
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Making net expense,	\$2,158 24

Cost per week for each inmate \$1.99, making expense to each Town as follows :

Holden,	\$406 82
Hubbardston,	343 71
Oakham,	207 37
Rutland,	223 83
Paxton,	293 47
Templeton,	45 74
Princeton,	123 28
Westminster,	514 02
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	\$2,158 24

Phillipston and Royalston were fortunate in having no inmates, and Templeton has none at the present time.

The first ten years of the Association, closing January 31, 1900, was as follows :

	Average Annual Weekly Board.	Weekly Average of Inmate,	Cost per Week.
	883 $\frac{3}{7}$.	17.	\$2.22
Year ending January 31, 1901,	888,	17 $\frac{1}{3}$.	2.00
Year ending January 31, 1902,	985 $\frac{2}{7}$.	18 $\frac{1}{3}$.	1.98

By the death of F. T. Holt, the Board of Management lost a cherished friend, who had represented the Town of Holden from the formation of the Association.

During the present month, a serious lung and bronchial epidemic prostrated nearly one-half of the inmates, one of whom died. Previous to this attack, the general health had been good, the two previous deaths being caused by old age and paralysis.

The Town of Princeton was admitted to the Association last Spring.

The record of sales from the herd of twenty cows was \$89.00 each.

Christmas brought its usual bountiful dinner, contributed by Hon. F. S. Coolidge, of Fitchburg.

The services of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Potter have been secured for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President.

JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary.

G. S. GRAHAM, Holden, Treasurer.

R. G. MAREAN, Hubbardston.

H. H. PIKE, Paxton.

D. W. BAKER, Phillipston.

T. E. PRATT, Princeton.

W. H. MAYNARD, Rutland.

CALEB W. DAY, Royalston.

CHARLES H. LEATHE, Templeton.

Board of Management.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1903.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer the past year three hundred and ninety-five order, amounting to \$14,613.80, as follows:

The appropriations of the Town:

State Tax,	\$300 00
County Tax,	644 00
Town Grant,	12,075 00
Overlayings,	155 41
Extra Assessments,	10 00
	<u>\$13,184 41</u>

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer, water loan,	\$22,000 00	-	
State Treasurer, water loan,	3,000 00	-	
State Treasurer, building loan,	15,100 00	-	
State Treasurer, temporary loan,	- 5,000 00	-	5,000
City of Salem, water loan,	2,000 00	-	2,000
People's Savings Bank, one note,	5,000 00	-	5,000
People's Savings Bank, temporary loan,	- 20,000 00	-	
Mabel and Ethel Heald, notes,	1,000 00	-	1,000
State Treasurer, loan,	- 5,000 00	-	5,000
	<u>\$78,100 00</u>		

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Sinking Fund,	\$4,750 67
State Aid,	400 46
One-half Cattle Inspection,	39 00
Water Rents,	741 41
Service Connections,	139 91
L. M. Hanff, Treasurer and Collector,	
cash and uncollected taxes,	16,343 26
Value of Water System,	31,000 00
	<u>\$53,414 71</u>
Showing a Balance against the Town of	\$24,685 29

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

Louis M. Hanff,	\$41 05	\$41 05
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SELECTMEN.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$47 00	
T. S. Heald,	41 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	41 00	
	<hr/>	\$129 00

ASSESSORS.

William C. Temple,	\$50 00	
George S. Putnam,	50 00	
Charles J. Campbell,	48 75	
	<hr/>	\$148 75

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

William H. Maynard,	\$44 40	
D. F. Smith,	10 00	
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WATER COMMISSIONERS.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$10 00	
W. A. Wheeler, (1901),	10 00	
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COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Louis M. Hanff,	\$150 00	\$150 00
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AUDITORS.

H. D. Smith, (1901),	\$6 00	
A. F. Brown,	20 00	
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$25 00	\$25 00
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REGISTRARS.

L. M. Hanff,	\$8 00	
C. R. Bartlett,	8 00	
T. S. Heald,	8 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$32 00

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BALLOT CLERKS.

W. L. Reed,	\$2 00	
C. J. Campbell,	2 00	
Thomas O'Herron,	6 00	
W. R. Upham,	4 00	
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		\$14 00

CATTLE INSPECTOR.

George S. Putnam,	\$31 50	\$31 50
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INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

George S. Putnam,	\$105 00	\$105 00
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CONSTABLE.

J. W. Moulton,	10 00	\$10 00
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SEXTON.

R. C. Prescott,	\$41 50	\$41 50
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LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. E. J. Prouty,	\$78 00	\$78 00
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		\$906 20

 SNOW.

J. E. Leary,	\$ 7 74
Felix Bousquet,	6 00
E. C. Sargent,	64 33
Newton I. Sargent,	13 08
William Parker,	3 58
Charles Parker,	1 50
Roy E. Adams,	1 33
G. M. Davis,	8 00
Matthew Delehanty,	12 00
Dellar Laton,	27 25
Joseph Strong,	7 48
James White,	3 41
William White,	7 17
E. C. Dudley,	24 04
James Hammond,	7 97
Michael Leary,	26 50

W. H. Hammond,	\$9 47
F. E. Lawrence,	1 67
E. A. Cowden,	3 84
W. G. Wales.	38 19
W. R. Upham,	1 20
Charles G. Ploetz,	3 16
J. J. Walsh,	28 47
W. W. Prescott,	6 50
L. H. Stearns,	3 92
H. C. Davis,	7 66
George L. Rich,	7 08
Lakeville Woolen Co.,	103 19
Horace E. Smith,	3 50
W. J. Hunt,	42 82
R. C. Prescott,	3 00
John F. Graton,	4 67
T. H. Connor,	5 50
L. T. Forbush,	1 50
M. Gleason,	1 33
Clifton J. Davis,	4 67
E. M. Davis,	1 33
H. W. Davis,	5 17
D. A. Smith,	2 33
W. A. Wheeler,	30 07
Joseph Davis,	3 60
B. W. Potter,	8 13
H. W. Calkins,	6 77
Thomas Fennell,	3 00
H. E. Smith,	1 16
George Hammond,	3 16
F. J. Tucker,	2 83
W. H. Hammond,	4 00
Clarence Hammond,	2 83
Stephen Broderick,	3 08
F. D. Forbush,	6 80
Hermon Rintala,	2 17
James White,	3 50
G. F. Goldthwaite,	29 99
Dennis O'Herron,	18 50

G. M. Taylor,	\$4 08
C. J. Campbell,	31 58
James White,	3 67
George Strong,	3 00
O. W. McGann,	2 08
Michael Cullen,	15 50
W. G. Wales,	13 67
M. A. Putnam,	2 34
F. J. Tucker,	3 50
Robert Ploetz,	8 50
W. W. Prescott,	2 17
W. J. Prescott,	2 17
W. C. Temple,	1 91
C. J. Davis,	4 66
F. S. Hunt,	1 90
John Manroe,	11 42
W. H. Maynard,	7 33

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INCIDENTALS.

E. C. Dudley, watering tub, 1901,	\$ 5 00
C. F. Lawrence, official ballots,	17 75
E. W. Ward, wax and screen,	85
H. C. Heald, watering tub,	2 50
Central District Court, fees in Benson case,	2 85
Clark & Sawyer Co., supplies,	4 50
E. W. Ward, tuning and repairing piano,	3 00
Worcester Insane Hospital, G. P. Browning,	41 79
W. E. Healey, gravel,	1 80
Ross Bros., lawn mower,	7 60
L. F. Partridge, repairing lawn mower,	1 00
E. H. Tripp, printing town reports,	52 50
W. A. Wheeler, watering tub,	5 00
Central District Court, fees,	82 49
Worcester County Abstract Co.,	10 95
Sanford-Putnam Co., tax blanks,	2 25
Ellwood Adams highway tools,	2 72
E. W. Ward, wax and express,	45

E. E. Lawrence, setting range,	\$1 00
G. A. Williams scraper repairs,	1 75
E. E. Lawrence, setting range, etc.,	4 00
Worcester Insane Hospital, G. P. Browning,	42 25
E. H. Baker, repairing clock,	1 00
John Dickson, repairs and labor on ballcock,	4 00
E. W. Ward, cutting lawn,	3 65
E. H. Tripp, printing reports, etc.,	33 25
E. C. Dudley, watering tub, 1902,	5 00
L. A. Taylor, for Lakeville Woolen Co.,	96 00
George E. Allen, scraper edges,	8 00
Prouty Bros., stove pipe,	5 70
Worcester Insane Hospital, G. P. Browning,	85 42
D. S. Thurston, supplies, public building,	7 16
George A. Barnard, eve troughs, etc.,	83 69
W. C. Temple, express and postage,	1 00
American Express Co.,	2 85
Thayer & Cobb, attorneys, court and advice,	26 00
R. C. Prescott, burial of Haskins,	35 00
L. M. Hanff, one-half painting hose house, ex- pense on range,	20 44
L. M. Hanff, insurance,	46 21
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	1 03
E. H. Tripp, printing,	25 00
A. M. Robbins, hot water boiler,	28 65
F. B. Stearns, highway supervisor,	7 00
L. Q. Spaulding, care of town clock four years,	80 00
L. M. Hanff, postage,	6 00
L. M. Hanff, justice fees,	4 00
L. M. Hanff, expense on loans,	10 00
G. H. Miles, supplies for public building,	8 41
One-third janitor, public building,	139 16,
One-third fuel, public building,	145 97
One-third glass and labor, public building,	6 01
Two-thirds oil, public building,	12 31
H. E. Wheeler, expenses to Boston to contract with L. A. Taylor,	4 50
H. E. Wheeler, turning water from highway,	1 00
H. E. Wheeler, bill holders and postage,	2 00

C. R. Bartlett, expenses to Boston, to contract with L. A. Taylor,	\$4 50	
C. R. Bartlett, postage,	1 50	
C. R. Bartlett, telephoning,	1 60	
C. R. Bartlett, drawing oil to public building,	1 00	
C. R. Bartlett, taking furnishings from pest house to hearse house,	2 00	
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SPECIAL WORK HIGHWAY.

F. S. Hunt, stakes,	\$ 1 60	
F. D. Forbush, culvert,	13 50	
Tayler & Tylee, contract,	1,600 00	
L. A. Taylor, pipe for Reed's culvert,	31 20	
C. R. Bartlett, posts, setting same and putting up railing,	54 66	
W. H. Sawyer Lumber Co, railing,	42 94	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	2 25	
F. S. Hunt, planing railing,	12 29	
	<hr/>	\$1,758 44

Réceived from State two allotments,	\$1,148 23	
Town appropriation,	600 00	
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		\$10 21

Bridges,	\$6 46
Library,	5 00
Memorial Day,	25 00
Fire Brigade,	15 00
State Aid,	400 46

SMALL POX ACCOUNT.

J. B. Miller, janitor, pest house,	\$88 00	
C. R. Bartlett, wood, pest house,	31 50	
H. E. Bush, provisions, pest house,	43 61	
Kathyrne G. Dyer, nurse, pest house,	220 00	
Beatrice E. Dyer, nurse, pest house,	225 00	
D. S. Thurston, groceries, etc., pest house,	99 84	
W. E. Chamberlain, services, pest house,	246 25	
Lakeville Woolen Co., rent and milk, pest house,	99 10	
F. B. Stearns, groceries, pest house,	64	
C. B. Steavens, M. D., expert, small pox case,	25 00	
C. R. Bartlett, furnishings, pest house,	123 90	
J. E. Ware, wood, pest house,	1 25	
C. R. Bartlett, expenses to Boston to settle bill,	4 50	
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		\$1,208 59
Received from Commonwealth,	\$508 47	
Received from Town of Barre,	564 59	
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		\$1,073 06
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		\$135 53

RECAPITULATION.

Town Officers,	\$906 20	
Schools,	5,051 94	
Snow Bills,	760 62	
State Aid,	400 46	
Overseer's Orders,	698 54	
Highways,	1,196 37	
Bridges,	6 46	
Water Department,	1,331 17	
Incidentals,	1,250 01	
Special Work on Highway,	1,758 44	
Small Pox,	1,208 59	
Memorial Day,	25 00	
Library,	5 00	
Fire Department,	15 00	
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		\$14,613 80

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

W. L. Reed,
 4 p. ~~William J. Hunt,~~
 Thomas O'Herron,
 Weston R. Upham,
 Herman D. Bray,
 Henry B. Davis,
 James Hammond,
 A. Clifford Wheeler,

L. A. Baker,
 P. 4 p. ~~J. Warren Moulton,~~
 Charles H. Upham,
 Charles A. Spooner,
 Joseph E. Ware,
 E. Wellington,
 William H. Maynard,
 George F. Handy.

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED.

One near S. B. Bray's.
 One near E. C. Dudley's.
 One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads.
 One at West Rutland, near Post Office.
 One near Charles Pierce's.
 Two near Patrick Delehanty's.
 Two near Henry Kennan's.
 One near Miles Holden's.
 One near Gen. Putnam Memorial.
 One near Maschopauge House.
 One near Center Post Office.
 One near Pound Hill.
 One near Daniel Nihin's.
 One near Walter Bartlett's.
 One near M. Myron Smith's.
 One near C. R. Bartlett's.
 One near W. J. D. D'Ewart's.
 One near Greenleaf Corner.
 One near Benjamin Allen's place.
 One near Addison Childs'.
 One at New Boston Corner.
 One near W. J. Brodmerkle's.
 One near Levi H. Stearns'.
 One near Sargent's Corner.
 One near Upham's Corner.
 One near D. R. Wheeler's.
 One near No. 1 School House.

The Selectmen would recommend the following appropriations for the coming year :

State Tax,	\$
County Tax,	
Schools and Transportation,	3,500 00
Highways,	1,600 00
Poor,	600 00
Contingent,	1,000 00
Payment of Debts and Interest,	3,000 00
Snow,	1,000 00
Memorial Day,	25 00

It has been the aim of your Selectmen that the different departments should not exceed the appropriations, and we are glad to find that the expenses have been kept within, or very near the appropriations.

The Highway Surveyor's Report shows a small balance unexpended, while in the Special Work on Highways, in regrading Pound Hill, the small sum of \$10.21 has been expended in excess of the Town appropriation and the allotments from the State. Perhaps it would be well to say in this connection, that a contract was made with Tayler & Tylee to do the grading on Pound Hill for \$1,600.00, this being considerably less than the estimated cost by the State Highway Commission. The work was done under the direction of the State Engineer and approved by the Highway Commission. The railing was not included in the contract, but was done by the Town. This improvement speaks for itself, and its benefits are already appreciated by those who have occasion to travel over the road. It has withstood the first Winter without the accumulation of ice which has made the road dangerous in previous years, and has sustained no injury from thaws and heavy rains which have each year greatly damaged the road and occasioned a large expenditure of money to make repairs, which in the nature of the road, could only be temporary. The grade has been made $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. The former grade in places was 10 per cent. On account of the liability of the Town to damages from abutters in consequence of changing the grade, the property owners signed a release from claims of damage. We would recommend, however,

that the Town appropriate a sum to slope the bank on the North side of the road, as called for by an Article contained in the Warrant for the Annual Meeting March 30 inst., as the abutters have so generously released the Town from damage.

At the commencement of the year the Town had two cases of Small Pox on its hands, one of the cases belonging to the State and the other to the Town of Barre. A settlement of the cases was made with each party, which leaves only about \$135 to be borne by the Town, and the furnishings which the Town has in its keeping is nearly equal in value to this amount.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. S. HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	

of Rutland

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1902.

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE, 1902.
Myron Robert.	Harry B. & Lillian K. (Elwell) Johnson.	Feb. 28
Male, stillborn,		March 21
Madaline,	John F. & Evangeline M. (Duffy) McCusker,	April 8
Elanor Davis,	Weston R. & Jenette (Davis) Upham,	April 11
Pearl Cora,	Louise & Blanche (Lovely) Guertin,	May 18
Helen Winnifred.	Henry M. & Mary F. (Scott) McEvoy,	June 10
Chester Harry,	Harry W. & Nora Ella (Shannon) Day,	June 15
Alice Theresa,	Patrick & Alice (Hoard) Dunn,	Aug. 11
Elsie May,	Frederick A. & Edith M. (Graton) Swallow,	Aug. 14
Frank Alonzo,	Frank L. & Charlotte L. (Pierce) Cheever,	Aug. 30
Emily Cecil,	Ernest W. & Rachel (Doblin) Bliss,	Sept. 5
Martha,	Fred J. & Abbie (Hunter) Tucker,	Oct. 17
Alice Margaret,	Michael F. & Mary E. (Nihin) Nash,	Oct. 19
Catherine Louise,	Michael H. & Mary E. (Dooley) Scott,	Nov. 9
Male, stillborn,		Nov. 29
John Henry.	George H. & Catherine (Henegan) Penney,	Dec. 19

MARRIAGES.

DATE, 1902.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
March 31,	Charles Richard Bartlett,	Rutland, Mass.
	Catherine Maria Powers,	Holden, Mass.
June 11,	Arthur E. Coddington,	Hubbardston, Mass.
	Jennie M. Holmes,	Rutland, Mass.
June 17,	George H. Miles,	Rutland, Mass.
	Mary E. Macdonald,	Rutland, Mass.
July 29,	John Joseph Hayes,	Worcester, Mass.
	Helen Madaline Riley,	Rutland, Mass.
September 4.	Charles Edward Viner,	Rutland, Mass.
	Mary A. Demond,	Rutland, Mass.
October 1,	Frederick Reed Bartlett,	Rutland, Mass.
	Idella Leona Kibbe,	Somerville, Mass.
November 29,	Frank Butler,	Rutland, Mass.
	Mary Augusta Locke,	Rutland, Mass.
December 15,	Peter Dame,	Rutland, Mass.
	Eva Parker,	Rutland, Mass.
December 27,	Ernest Alonzo Tompkins.	Pittsfield, Mass.
	Mary Louise Siddall.	Rutland, Mass.

DEATHS.

DATE, 1902.	NAMES.	AGE.			RESIDENCE.
		y.	m.	d.	
January 19,	Samson Seaverns,	83	5	13	Rutland, Mass.
February 8.	Thomas S. Wentworth,	43	1	16	Rutland, Mass.
February 22,	Tousiant Sharron,	78	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
March 21,	Male, stillborn,	—	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
March 26,	Elijah MacVane,	57	7	—	Prince Edw. Island
April 26,	Jane Louise (Putnam) Hatch,	71	3	12	Rutland, Mass.
April 28,	Enola Alvira Dudley,	17	5	7	Rutland, Mass.
May 7,	Susan (Halladay) Wheeler,	91	4	20	Rutland, Mass.
May 8,	David W. Clark,	30	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
May 12,	William M. Lewis,	25	—	—	Lynn, Mass.
May 13,	Margaret Conole,	34	5	6	Somerville, Mass.
May 15,	Luella (Kerr) Thayer,	43	—	—	Boston, Mass.
May 28,	Lansford Bernie Haskins,	58	2	21	Rutland, Mass.
June 1,	Bernard James Casserley,	24	11	17	Spencer, Mass.
June 1,	Leonard Lemont Moulton,	25	11	20	Boston, Mass.
June 8,	Eleanor (Stearns) Dudley,	55	10	21	Rutland, Mass.
July 12,	Lizzie H. (Judd) Goodrich,	27	5	5	Holyoke, Mass.
July 26,	Lydia J. (Rice) Prouty,	78	9	6	Rutland, Mass.
July 27,	Ebenezer Woodburn Scott,	84	6	7	Rutland, Mass.
August 20,	Edward H. Kidgell,	28	—	—	Worcester, Mass.
August 21,	Phileura (Adams) Corbin,	76	11	24	Rutland, Mass.
August 31,	Amasa Jordan,	83	—	26	Rutland, Mass.
September 5.	Alice T. Dunn,	—	1	—	Rutland, Mass.
September 13,	John T. Barry,	29	8	15	Boston, Mass.
October 4,	Helma Gustafson,	28	6	—	Cambridge, Mass.
October 10,	Herbert Milton Handy,	8	4	18	Rutland, Mass.
October 18,	Grace E. (King) Taylor,	44	1	13	Chicopee, Mass.
November 9,	Rose M. (Lavery) Halloran,	28	—	—	Worcester, Mass.
November 19,	Eben Frederick Cutter,	24	3	22	Newburyport, Mass.
November 29,	Male, stillborn,	—	—	—	Rutland, Mass.

Number of Dogs licensed during the year 1902.

79 Males @ \$2 00.

\$158 00

4 Females @ \$5.00,

20 00

Less 83 fees @\$0.20,

\$178 00

16 60

Cash on hand March 1, 1902,

\$161 40

32 80

Paid County Treasurer,

\$194 20

188 20

Cash on hand March 1, 1903,

\$6 00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Rutland, Mass., March 1, 1903.

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Louis M. Hanff, Collector and Treasurer, in account with the
Town of Rutland.

1902.

DR.

March	1,	Cash on hand and uncollected tax bills,	\$15,581 60
March	7,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
March	19,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 34
March	15,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
March	31,	Central District Court,	14 62
April	5,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
April	7,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
April	21,	Received from State Treasurer, loan,	5,000 00
May	1,	Received from State Treasurer, loan,	2,800 00
May	14,	Received from State Treasurer, account of small pox case,	508 47
May	15,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 33
May	17,	Received from Mabel and Ethel Heald, loan,	1,000 00
June	1,	Received for two butcher's licenses,	2 00
June	10,	Received for one pool room license,	10 00
June	10,	Received from Town of Holden, books,	2 95
June	21,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent	166 67
July	1,	Received from Central District Court,	14 28
July	1,	Received from City of Boston, tuition,	87 50
July	7,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
July	16,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
July	16,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,200 00
July	24,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 33
Aug.	14,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
Aug.	21,	Received from State Treasurer, compensation inspector of animals,	43 75
Aug.	21,	Received from State Board of Charity, tuition,	17 50
Aug.	21,	Received from Lyman School, tuition,	70 30

Aug.	21,	Received from State Treasurer, burial of State pauper,	\$15 00
Aug.	30,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	3,000 00
Sept.	3,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
Stpt.	15,	Received from State Treasurer, superintendent of school's salary,	250 00
Oct.	1,	Received from Central District Court,	29 17
Oct.	4,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
Oct.	6,	Received from Charles A. Spooner, balance dne on school house,	10 00
Oct.	21,	Received from Town of Barre, small pox case,	564 59
Nov.	15,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
Nov.	20,	Received from Town of Oakham, tuition,	13 50
Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer corporation tax,	74 69
Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer, bank tax,	3 64
Dec.	10,	Received from State Treasurer, military aid,	412 38
Dec.	20,	Received from County Treasurer, dog fund,	175 03
Dec.	21,	Received from State Treasurer, highway commission,	1,148 23
Dec.	24,	Received from State Treasurer, \$5,000 note discount,	4,900 00

1903.

Jan.	1,	Received from West Rutland Sunday School, wood,	2 50
Jan.	1,	Received from Central District Court,	2 26
Jan.	1,	Received from City of Malden, overseer's acct.,	93 80
Jan.	1,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,800 00
Jan.	7,	Received from People's Savings Bank, loan,	3,500 00
Jan.	16,	Received from State Sanitorium, water rent,	500 00
March	1,	Received from H. E. Wheeler, grass,	3 00
March	1,	Received from Preston Warren, board at town farm,	14 50
March	1,	Received from Myron D. Potter, pump and trough,	4 00
March	1,	Received from State Treasurer, balance corporation tax,	15
March	1,	Received from E. F. Browning, guardian for G. P. Browning, board,	144 00
March	1,	Received from State, aid for G. P. Browning,	25 46

March	1, Received from Town Hall Janitors,	\$228 00
March	1, Received from Interest on Taxes,	268 34
March	1, Received from 1902 Tax Bills.	13,183 76
March	1, Received from Extra Poll Taxes,	10 00
March	1, Transferred from Mass. School Fund,	758 35
March	1, Received from Water Rent and Service Con- nections,	513 05
		<hr/> \$74,916 98

1902.

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March	2, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest.	\$60 00
March	6, Paid State Treasurer, interest on notes,	60 00
March	12, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,009 38
March	15, Paid National Bank of the Republic, note and interest,	1,020 00
March	15, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	188 02
March	18, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int ,	2,018 75
March	21, Paid State Treasurer,	48 75
April	2, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest.	100 00
April	7, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,509 38
April	7, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,514 07
April	21, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,212 00
April	21, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	816 53
April	30, Paid A. A. Heald, note and interest,	1,016 67
April	30, Paid A. A. Heald, note and interest,	518 75
May	1, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	2,856 00
May	2, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	236 25
May	14, Paid People's Savings Bank. interest,	40 00
June	3, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	30 00
June	13, Paid Treasurer City of Salem, interest,	35 00
July	6, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	2,040 00
July	16, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,020 00
July	31, Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
Aug.	2, Paid State Treasurer, note,	500 00
Aug.	2, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	421 87
Aug.	14, Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	2,020 00
Aug.	21, Paid State Treasurer, note,	300 00
Aug.	21, Paid State Treasurer, interest,	39 00
Sept.	1, Paid National Bank of the Republic, note and interest,	3,055 33

Sept.	7,	Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	\$1,020 00
Sept.	10,	Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,515 00
Sept.	15,	Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	40 00
Sept.	18,	Paid State Treasurer, interest,	48 75
Oct.	2,	Paid People's Savings Bank,	100 00
Oct.	7,	Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	30 00
Oct.	13,	Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,530 00
Oct.	21,	Paid One-half County Tax,	322 00
Oct.	21,	Paid State Treasurer, interest,	81 26
Nov.	1,	Paid National Bank of the Republic,	508 75
Nov.	1,	Paid People's Savings Bank interest,	56 00
Nov.	5,	Paid State Treasurer, interest,	227 50
Nov.	15,	Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	2,013 33
Nov.	21,	Mabel and Ethel Heald, interest,	20 00
Dec.	3,	Paid Balance County Tax,	322 00
Dec.	10,	Paid State Tax,	300 00
Dec.	14,	Paid State Treasurer, note,	5,000 00
Dec.	14,	Paid State Treasurer, interest,	100 00
Dec.	14,	Paid City of Salem, interest,	35 00

1903.

Jan.	1,	Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	2,818 66
Jan.	7,	Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	2,040 00
Jan.	7,	Paid People's Savings Bank, note and int.,	1,515 00
Jan.	16,	Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
Jan.	31,	Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	44 00
Feb.	1,	Paid State Treasurer, interest,	412 50
Feb.	14,	Paid People's Savings Bank, interest,	40 00
Feb.	19,	Paid State Treasurer, interest,	34 12
Feb.	28,	Paid State Treasurer, interest,	60 00
March	1,	Paid 395 Selectmen's Orders,	14,613 80
March	1,	Paid Tax Bills,	15,605 76
March	1,	Cash to Balance,	737 86
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			\$74,916 98

ACCOUNT OF SCHOOL FUND.

INCOME OF MASS. SCHOOL FUND.

1902.

March	1,	Balance on hand.	\$362 54
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1903

Jan.	24,	Received from State Treasurer,	395 81
March	1,	Transferred to general account,	<hr/> \$758 35

STATEMENT OF FUND TO PAY NOTE OF \$5,000.00
HELD BY PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK.
DUE APRIL 2, 1904.

1902.

March	1, On Deposit, People's Savings Bank,	\$1,176 34	
	Dividend, January, 1903,	47 04	
		<hr/>	\$1,223 38
March	1, Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$1,284 62	
	Dividend, January, 1903,	51 37	
		<hr/>	\$1,335 99
March	1, Worcester County Institution for Savings,	\$1 092 71	
	Dividend, January, 1903,	43 69	
		<hr/>	\$1,136 40
March	1, Bay State Savings Bank,	\$518 98	
	Dividend, to March, 1903,	20 87	
		<hr/>	\$539 85
March	1, Mechanics Savings Bank,	500 00	
	Dividend, January, 1903,	15 05	
		<hr/>	\$515 05
	Total amount of Fund,		\$4,750 67

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

1902.

	Bal. in Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$100 00	
March	1, Dividend,	4 02	
		<hr/>	\$104 02
	Paid S. W. Fay,		4 02
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1903.

March	1, Balance in Bank,	\$100 00
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Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M HANFF,
Collector and Treasurer.

Rutland, March 1, 1903.

REPORT OF THE SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

The Water System has worked quite satisfactorily during the year. No accident of any great importance has occurred. A few leaks on the extension on Maple Avenue and one at the connection with the West end of the main pipe, opposite the public building. These were easily repaired at no great expense.

Four patrons have been added, which will increase the rental about \$50.00 the coming year.

The expense of maintainance has not been excessive, notwithstanding the high cost of fuel. We were fortunate in purchasing coal at reasonable rates, not paying over \$7.10 per ton, delivered at Muchopauge station, freight prepaid.

The balance of \$234.77 in favor of the Water Department is over \$100.00 in excess of last year.

With steadily increasing revenue, we may feel assured that the Water System will be one of the best investments the Town ever entered into.

REPORT TO THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

RECORD OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, FOR THE YEAR 1902.

Month.	Total Consumption in Gallons.
January,	1,595,334
February,	1,360,034
March,	1,550,627
April,	1,510,626
May,	1,607,099
June,	1,795,339
July,	2,070,640
August,	2,261,233
September,	2,024,080
October,	2,181,231
November,	1,551,216
December,	2,338,882

Day on which greatest amount was pumped, January 22.

Gallons pumped on above day, 192,946.

Week during which greatest amount was pumped, June, second week.

Gallons pumped during above week, 542,955.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND.

SUPPLIES.

60 feet 2-inch galvanized pipe.
 125 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch galvanized pipe,
 6 faucets.
 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks.
 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch corporation cocks.
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch ells.
 3 soldering nipples.
 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tees.
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions.
 1 pound solder.
 4 service boxes.
 Approximate value, \$25.00.

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3 00
3 hammers,	2 50
1 spade,	75
1 grub axe,	1 00
3 drills,	1 75
4 lanterns,	2 00
1 broom,	50
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	\$11 50

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2-inch die plate,	\$6 00
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 80
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 50
2 W. I. wrenches for sidewalk shut-off,	3 83

2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,	\$2 26
1 1-inch tap,	94
1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch and 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch,	4 00
1 2-inch drill for ratchet,	90
2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 20
1 1-inch drill,	53
2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamers,	2 26
1 1-inch reamer,	94
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,	63
1 2-inch Stanwood cutter,	98
1 expander,	5 00
1 gate wrench,	2 50
1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate, with 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	4 12
1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,	3 40
1 18-inch Stillson wrench,	1 60
1 24-inch Stillson wrench,	2 40
2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1 20
1 15-inch Coe's block wrench,	1 00
1 wall vice,	8 10
1 wall hinge vice,	3 00
2 packer's sleeve ratchets,	4 05
1 iron crow,	9 60
1 2-inch Walworth cutter,	1 46
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	\$76 20

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Paid Interset on water loan,	\$1,001 87
E. E. Lawrence, engineer's services,	337 80
J. Albert Walker & Co., coal,	479 83
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	31 50
C. R. Bartlett, drawing coal,	22 50
L. H. Stearns, drawing coal,	7 00
W. G. Wales, drawing coal,	5 00
E. E. Lawrence, wood,	58 18
C. R. Bartlett, wood,	58 50
The Clinton Oil Co., oil,	3 50
George S. Dixon, oil	5 00

Paid Washburn & Garfield, packing,	\$6 70
Washburn & Garfield, pipe and fittings,	7 69
Michael Loughman, two wrenches,	3 25
Cunningham Iron Co., boiler castings,	8 78
Knowles Steam Pump Co., valve springs,	9 12
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe and fittings,	105 26
William Allen & Sons, hand hole plate,	2 75
Braman & Dow, packing,	5 75
E. E. Lawrence, piping,	23 75
E. E. Lawrence, trenching,	18 05
E. E. Lawrence, repairing leaks, main pipe,	15 00
E. E. Lawrence, solder,	1 00
Paid Revere Rubber Co., valves,	11 59
D. S. Thurston, shovels,	2 00
Wilson & Holden, cement,	2 25
George W. Hudson, filling trench,	75
W. L. Reed, digging trench,	1 00
W. W. Prescott, digging trench,	1 00
F. J. Tucker, digging trench,	1 17
James B. D. Shago, inspecting boiler,	2 00
Duncan & Goodell Co. brass wire and file,	92
C. Johnson, pipe,	1 00
F. S. Hunt, brick,	3 00
Boston & Maine R. R., freight,	2 60
American Express Co.,	2 60
E. E. Lawrence, labor on boiler,	4 00
C. R. Bartlett, trenching,	10 00
Thomas Fenner, trenching,	7 75
L. A. Taylor, fixing leaks in main,	27 00
L. M. Hanff, painting stand pipe,	34 63
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	\$2,333 04

DR.

Received from State Sanitorium, water rent for the year ending January 1, 1903,	\$1,000 00
Received and due for water rent from patrons for year ending January 1, 1903,	720 48
Received and due for service connections for year ending January 1, 1903,	74 07
Due for coal furnished Town, (6 tons)	50 00
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	\$1,814 55
Leaving a balance against the Water Department of	\$518 49

MAINTAINANCE OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

CR.

Paid interest on water loan to Jan. 1, 1903,	\$1,000 87
engineer's services,	337 80
for coal,	479 83
for freight on coal,	66 00
for wood,	116 68
for oil,	8 50
for packing and supplies,	12 21
Cunningham Iron Co., boiler castings,	8 78
William Allen & Sons, hand hole plate,	2 75
Revere Rubber Co., valves,	11 59
Wilson & Holden, cement,	2 25
L. A. Taylor, repairing leaks,	27 00
for boiler inspection.	2 00
E. E. Lawrence, repairing leaks,	15 00
Duncan & Goodell, brass wire,	60
George W. Hudson, filling trench,	75
W. L. Reed, digging to stop leak,	1 00
W. W. Prescott, digging to stop leak,	1 00
F. J. Tucker, digging to stop leak,	1 17
F. S. Hunt, brick,	3 00

 \$2,099 78

DR.

Received from State Sanitorium, water rent, one year, to January 1, 1903,	\$1,000 00
Received and due from patrons for water rent, one year, to January 1, 1903,	720 48
Received and due from patrons for service con- nections, one year, to January 1, 1903,	74 07
Due from Town, coal furnished,	50 00
Due from Town, on account of 18 hydrants, @ \$25.00,	450 00
Due from Town, on account of supplying pub- lic building with water,	20 00
Due from Town, on account of supplying two watering places,	10 00
Due from Town, on account of supplying foun- tain in cemetery,	10 00

 \$2,334 55

 Leaving a balance in favor of the Water Department of \$234 77

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,

Superintendent.

Rutland, March 1, 1903.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Collector of Taxes, and Treasurer and Superintendent of Water Department, for the year ending March 1, 1903, and that I find the same correct.

A. F. BROWN,
Auditor.

Rutland, March 1, 1903.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

The sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) was appropriated by the Town for the repairs of roads and bridges.

I submit bills in details of the expenditures.

In the month of April,	\$216 59
“ “ May,	375 12
“ “ June,	317 58
“ “ July,	36 97
“ “ August,	97 77
“ “ September,	66 21
“ “ October,	45 63
“ “ November,	40 50
	\$1,196 37

I have in my possession the following list of tools belonging to the Town :

- 2 road machines,
- 1 hand scraper,
- 6 round pointed shovels,
- 1 square pointed stone shovel,
- 4 stone rakes,
- 1 bog hoe,
- 4 picks,
- 1 striking hammer,
- 2 iron bars,
- 2 stone forks,
- 1 brush scythe,
- 1 plow,
- 4 hoes,

FRANK D. FORBUSH,
Highway Surveyor.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF FREE PUB. LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$28 99
Appropriation,	68 77
Received from non-residents for use of Library and from fines and cards.	10 16
	\$107 92

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Mrs. E. J. Prouty, librarian,	\$78 00
for papers and magazines,	5 00
for new books,	5 73
express and supplies,	1 71
	\$90 44
Balance unexpended, in hands of Trustees,	\$17 48

The number of books taken from the Library the past year was 3,062.

Only eight books have been bought this year.

Fifty-four volumes were added by grant, from the State, and the following named persons have kindly donated :

Mrs. M. L. Miles, 1.	Mrs. Tibballs, 4.
Mrs. Hewings, 9.	Friend, 2.
Woman's Education association, 11.	From the State, 10.
Mrs. Jas. Munroe, of Lexington, has given St. Nicholas Magazine.	
Miss Addie M. Dean, of Tipton, Iowa, McClure's Magazine.	
Mrs. Moulton, the Youths' Companion.	
Mrs. S. E. Munroe, the Christian Herald.	

Your Trustees would ask for the appropriation of the entire Dog Fund, as the Library needs to be new catalogued.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. TEMPLE, MRS. SARAH MUNROE, MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,	}	<i>Library Trustees.</i>
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Inventory of the Fire Apparatus belonging to the Rutland Fire Brigade :

- 1 two-horse reel, with 1,000 feet of hose,
- 4 Nozzles and pipes,
- 2 hydrant wrenches,
- 2 monkey wrenches.
- 2 hose shackles,
- 4 axes, .
- 1 hand pump, with 50 feet effective hose, also 50 feet defective hose,
- 1 suction hose 8 feet long,
- 1 nozzle,
- 1 spannier,
- 1 iron bar,
- 1 ladder hook,
- 100 feet one-half inch rope,
- 1 low express wagon (single),
- 1 ladder truck, with two extension ladders and four roof ladders,
- 1 30-foot ladder,
- 22 fire pails, in good order,
- 1 traverse runner sled for ladders,
- 24 arm chairs,
- 10 bracket lamps,
- 1 hand lamp,
- 1 stove,
- 5 cuspidors,
- 1 dust pan and brush,
- 2 hand lanterns,
- 2 horse blankets,
- 1 bell for tower,
- Ladder and pails at North and West Rutland.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending March 1, 1903

FELLOW CITIZENS : —

We herewith respectfully submit our annual report :

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Population of the Town, according to the United States Census, 1900,	1,334
Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, as per School Census of September 1, 1902,	271
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1902,	281
Average membership for the year,	226.1
Average attendance per year,	190.9
Per cent. of attendance,	85.1

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,500 00	
Transportation,	1,000 00	
Supervision,	250 00	
Raised by taxation,		\$3,750 00

AMOUNTS RECEIVED

State, toward Superintendent's salary,	\$250 00	
County. one-half dog fund,	68 76	
Town of Holden. text books,	2 95	
City of Boston, tuition,	87 50	
Town of Oakham, tuition,	13 50	
State Board of Charity, tuition,	17 50	
Lyman School, tuition,	70 30	
West Rutland S. School, wood,	2 50	
		\$513 01
Transferred from State School Fund account,		758 35
Amount overdrawn,		30 58
		<hr/> \$5,051 94

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,342 50
Books and supplies,	243 57
Supervision,	365 25
Transportation,	1,382 15
Janitors,	294 31
Fuel,	328 56
Oil,	6 15
Printing,	23 14
Sundries,	32 53
Repairs and furnishings,	33 78
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	\$5,051 94

BILLS APPROVED.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Frank P. Ayer,	\$201 50
Edith I. Brown,	224 00
Jennie R. Burnham,	126 00
Jennie S. Gilbert,	108 00
Annie M. Jenness,	320 00
Lucy M. Grant,	272 00
Grace E. Damon,	102 00
G. Harold Ellis,	330 00
Elsie P. Newcomb,	210 00
Bertha L. Gleason,	190 00
Edith Claffin,	99 00
E. Mabel Heald,	160 00
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	\$2,342 50

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

American Humane Education Society,	\$ 2 66
E. E. Babb & Co.,	11 87
Ginn & Co.,	24 06
Rand, Mc'Nally Co.,	11 01
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	80 01
Funk & Wagnalls Co.,	19 25
University Publishing Co.,	14 40
Werner School Book Co.,	29 95
Holden School Committee,	\$ 1 75

George F. King & Co.,	12 00
Town of Oakham,	2 16
Allen-Bacon Co.,	3 34
Gaylord Bros.,	1 75
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	25 36
D. C. Heath & Co.,	4 00
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	\$243 57

SUPERVISION.

H. J. Jones, superintendent,	\$300 00
E. W. Ward, committse,	21 25
W. C. Temple, committee,	18 00
George S. Putnam, census enumerator,	15 00
William F. Moore, truant officer,	6 50
Louis M. Hanff, truant officer,	4 50
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	\$365 25

TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

Michael Gleason, last year,	\$26 25
Joel Stone, last year,	5 00
Dellar Laton, last year,	76 00
Erford Cowden,	5 20
Stephen P. Allen.	160 00
Elsworth E. Preston,	192 00
C. A. Spooner,	228 00
Dellar Laton,	160 00
Granville Lombard,	9 00
Dennis A. Smith,	38 50
Walter A. Wheeler,	27 50
Horace E. Smith,	172 20
Robert Ploetz,	157 00
Warren G. Wales,	81 00
Myron D. Potter,	5 00
Michael Gleason,	39 50
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	\$1,382 15

JANITORS.

E. W. Ward, Centre,	\$176 07
G. H. Miles, Centre,	102 24
North and West Rutland,	16 00
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	\$294 31

FUEL.

Centre,	\$291 93	
North Rutland,	10 00	
West Rutland, two years,	26 63	
	<hr/>	\$328 56
Oil,		6 15

PRINTING.

F. S. Blanchard & Co.,	\$16 39	
E. H. Tripp,	6 75	
	<hr/>	\$23 14
Sundries,		32 53
Total for support,		<hr/> \$5,018 16

REPAIRS.

Louis M. Hanff, contract on W. Rutland house,	\$13 50	
Masury, Young & Co., floor dressing,	7 50	
F. S. Hunt, lumber,	76	
Repairs on Centre school house,	12 02	
	<hr/>	\$33 78
		<hr/> \$5,051 94

STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT.

1902.		
March 1.	Balance on hand,	\$362 54
	Received from State,	395 81
		<hr/> \$758 35
1903.		
March 1.	Transferred to general account,	758 35

APPROPRIATIONS.

The Committee would recommend that the Town raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools the sum of \$4,000.

AVAILABLE BY LAW FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The income received from the State School Fund.
 Money received from the State for the benefit of the High School.
 Money received by the Town for tuition.
 Amount due from the State on Superintendents' salary.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and the following is his report :

Number of boys between the ages of five and fifteen,	151	
Number of girls between the ages of five and fifteen,	120	
		271
Number of boys between the ages of seven and fourteen,	112	
Number of girls between the ages of seven and fourteen,	79	
		191
Total,		462

ROLL OF HONOR.

The pupils named below were neither absent nor tardy for the number of terms specified :

CENTRE SCHOOL. *One term* : Frank Maynard, Fannie Miles, Joseph Murphy, Nora Gleason, Catherine Putnam, Bernice Hunt, Esther Wheeler, Annie Welch, Louise Skinner, Myrna Miles, Louis Maynard, Grace Smith, Helen Murnar, Edith Scott, Charlotte Drury, Rhetta Miles, Winnie Rich, Georgia Rich, Frank Carroll, Harry Parks, Helen Hadley, Henry Smith, Albert Wales.

Two terms : Esther Wheeler.

WEST RUTLAND SCHOOL. *One term* : Fred Coté, Melvina Befort, Edith Bigelow, Herbert Bigelow, Ira Cheever, Maud Hadley, Ruth Hadley, Annie Nicholson.

NORTH RUTLAND SCHOOL. *One term* : Alfred Buss, Mabel Goodwin, Leon Handy, Greta Moulton, John Moulton, Edward Buss.

Three terms : Olive Buss.

IN CONCLUSION.

The report of Mr. Jones, our Superintendent, embraces the work of the schools.

The increase in appropriation that the Committee have asked for seems to be necessary on account of the large number of children who require transportation.

D. P. BUTLER,	}	<i>School Committee.</i>
D. A. SMITH,		
W. C. TEMPLE,		

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

FOR

The Central Worcester District.

TOWNS:

Holden, Oakham, Paxton, Rutland,

Worcester County, Mass.

March, 1903.

THE CENTRAL WORCESTER DISTRICT.

The district was formed July 16, 1900. The services and salary of the superintendent are shared as follows: Holden, five-tenths; Oakham, two-tenths; Paxton, one-tenth; and Rutland, two-tenths. The superintendent's year begins Aug. 1. Thirty-three teachers are employed in thirty-one schools. The chairman of the joint committee is Jesse Allen of Oakham, and the secretary is Mrs. Marion E. Warren of Holden. The names of the members of the various committees, with the expiration of their respective terms, are shown below :

HOLDEN.

						Term Expires
James A. Holden, chairman,	-	-	-	-	-	1903
Mrs. Martha E. Graham,	-	-	-	-	-	1903
T. Walter Howe,	-	-	-	-	-	1904
Mrs. Marion E. Warren, secretary,	-	-	-	-	-	1904
Mrs. Addie M. Holden,	-	-	-	-	-	1905
William J. Powers,	-	-	-	-	-	1905

OAKHAM.

						Term Expires
Jesse Allen, chairman,	-	-	-	-	-	1903
H. W. Lincoln,	-	-	-	-	-	1904
Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, secretary,	-	-	-	-	-	1905

PAXTON.

						Term Expires
Mrs. C. F. Flint,	-	-	-	-	-	1904
Lewis S. Clapp, chairman,	-	-	-	-	-	1905
Mrs. E. P. Keep, secretary,	-	-	-	-	-	1906

RUTLAND.

						Term Expires
William C. Temple, secretary,	-	-	-	-	-	1903
Dr. David P. Butler, chairman,	-	-	-	-	-	1904
Dennis E. Smith,	-	-	-	-	-	1905

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton, and Rutland:

I herewith present the third annual report of the superintendent of schools for the Central Worcester District, and ask the attention of the committees and the citizens of the several towns to its contents. As in former reports, subjects of interest to the district as a whole are first presented, other matters being treated later under the heading, "The Towns in Particular."

In my second report, I described in some detail the various activities which employ the time and energies of your superintendent. The year now closed has been filled with similar activities. Nearly all the school days have been spent in the school-rooms, the time being divided in the proportion specified on the preceding page. Evenings, Saturdays, and all but four weeks of the school vacations have been largely devoted to the various duties of the position, aside from that of school visitation.

Like the previous years of my work as your superintendent, the one covered by this report has been made very pleasant by the good will of the thirty-one groups of children met twice each month, by the loyal co-operation of my fellow workers in the schools, by the confidence and support of able committees, and by the kindness of the people of the towns.

ATTENDANCE.

The tables here inserted show the facts of attendance in the various schools by terms. The "Summary of Attendance" shows the attendance of the year by towns. Comparing this

STATISTICAL TABLES.

HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS	TEACHERS	TERMS, 1902-'03	No. Weeks in Term	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Per Cent. for Year	No. Cases of Tardiness
High School.....	A. K. Learned, Prin. Marion E. Bascom, Assistant	Spring..	11	39.6	35.3	90.0		10
		Fall	16	46.5	41.5	90.0		10
		Winter .	12	47.0	41.7	88.7	89.6	11
Center, Grammar.	Alma M. Atwell	Spring..	12	26.0	23.0	88.4		7
		Fall	16	33.0	29.0	87.8		37
		Winter .	8	28.0	26.0	92.8	89.7	9
Center, Primary ..	Margery A. Rice.....	Spring..	12	32.5	28.8	88.6		64
		Fall	16	27.1	23.7	87.5		45
		Winter .	8	27.2	22.7	83.4	86.5	24
Jefferson, Higher .	M. Bessie Tidd	Spring..	12	16.7	15.9	95.7		17
		Fall	16	20.5	20.1	93.5		55
		Winter .	8	21.0	16.8	80.0	89.7	26
Jefferson, Room 4 .	Clara K. Bascom	Spring..	12	28.4	26.1	92.1		40
		Fall	16	35.9	33.0	91.7		58
		Winter .	8	30.4	23.5	77.2	87.0	27
Jefferson, Room 3 .	Elizabeth Hoxie.....	Spring..	12	38.8	35.3	91.0		32
		Fall	16	40.4	33.7	86.0		28
		Winter .	8	39.2	31.6	80.0	85.7	26
Jefferson, Room 2 .	Esther C. Hendricks .	Spring..	12	36.0	34.1	94.8		23
		Fall	16	28.1	24.9	88.1		12
		Winter .	8	25.4	18.3	71.7	84.5	18
Jefferson, Room 1 .	Mary L. Gove	Spring..	12	31.1	28.5	91.6		4
		Fall	16	29.7	25.5	85.5		9
		Winter .	8	18.6	11.4	61.2	79.4	17
Chaffin, Grammar.	Florence L. Johnson.	Spring..	12	33.8	31.9	93.5		6
		Fall	16	37.9	34.4	90.7		4
		Winter .	7	34.1	30.7	90.0	91.4	3
Chaffin, Primary ..	Mabel C. Reid	Spring..	12	27.2	25.3	92.9		9
		Fall	16	37.4	33.6	87.9		8
		Winter .	8	35.5	28.8	80.8	87.2	6
Quinapoxet, Grammar	Alice Frye	Spring..	12	28.9	26.5	91.0		30
		Fall	16	31.0	28.1	89.0		17
		Winter .	8	29.4	24.5	83.0	87.7	11
Quinapoxet, Primary	Lillian A. Warner....	Spring..	12	27.9	24.4	86.8		10
		Fall	16	23.4	20.7	86.1		13
		Winter .	8	23.7	18.8	78.9	83.9	20
North Woods	Margaret G. Fleming.	Spring..	12	14.8	14.3	96.6		1
		Fall	16	20.5	19.3	94.3		29
		Winter .	8	19.9	17.5	87.6	92.8	12
Springdale	Florence Kirby.....	Spring..	12	21.0	18.8	88.0		1
		Fall	16	23.0	20.1	86.8		30
		Winter .	8	21.3	16.8	79.2	84.7	2
Dawson.....	Catherine E. Crowe ..	Spring..	12	18.7	17.8	94.5		3
		Fall	16	18.8	16.7	88.0		8
		Winter .	8	16.2	13.0	76.5	86.5	13
South.....	Sadie I. Packard	Spring..	12	23.2	22.7	98.4		9
		Fall	16	21.1	19.9	94.8		18
		Winter .	8	21.7	20.1	92.3	95.2	20
Unionville.....	Ellen R. Bohan	Spring..	12	18.3	18.0	95.1		9
		Fall	16	21.4	21.0	90.2		19
		Winter .	8	22.0	15.6	71.3	85.5	15

PAXTON.

SCHOOL	TEACHERS	TERMS, 1902-'03	No. Weeks in Term	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Per Cent. for Year	No. Cases of Tardiness
Grammar	Rachel W. Cornwell..	Spring ..	14	13.3	11.7	88.2		128
	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Fall	12	19.7	18.2	92.5		52
	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Winter..	7	18.6	16.4	87.8	89.5	48
Intermediate	M. Alice Converse....	Spring ..	14	19.9	18.2	91.4		44
	M. Alice Converse....	Fall	12	25.4	23.3	91.8		37
	M. Alice Converse....	Winter..	8	22.8	18.6	81.9	88.4	50
Primary	Lulu M. Baker.....	Spring ..	14	28.5	26.2	92.2		21
	Lulu M. Baker.....	Fall	12	30.6	28.0	91.2		36
	Lulu M. Baker.....	Winter..	8	25.1	20.5	81.5	88.3	32

RUTLAND.

High School	G. Harold Ellis, Prin.	Spring ..	12	27.8	23.8	85.7		28
	Edith L. Claffin,	Fall	12	35.8	32.6	90.4		57
	Assistant	Winter..	10	29.2	23.9	82.1	86.1	83
Center, Grammar.	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Spring ..	12	45.8	40.5	88.4		32
	Elrie P. Newcomb....	Fall	12	51.5	45.1	89.7		42
	Elrie P. Newcomb....	Winter..	8	45.8	34.9	77.9	85.3	19
Center, Intermediate } ..	Jennie B. Gilbert	Spring ..	12	37.3	32.2	86.0		93
	Bertha Gleason	Fall	12	44.0	37.7	85.3		124
	Bertha Gleason	Winter..	8	41.6	28.7	68.8	80.0	66
Center Primary ..	Annie M. Jenness	Spring ..	12	42.2	33.7	77.0		30
	Annie M. Jenness	Fall	12	47.1	41.7	88.3		59
	Annie M. Jenness	Winter..	8	39.3	26.5	67.0	77.4	60
North Rutland....	Grace E. Damon.....	Spring ..	12	33.2	27.3	82.7		112
	Mabelle Heald.....	Fall	12	33.1	30.1	91.0		27
	Mabelle Heald.....	Winter..	8	22.6	17.9	79.2	84.3	29
West Rutland	Lucy M. Grant.....	Spring ..	12	32.0	29.0	91.0		22
	Lucy M. Grant.....	Fall	12	35.0	34.0	97.0		10
	Lucy M. Grant.....	Winter..	8	35.0	33.0	94.0	94.0	12

OAKHAM.

Center, Grammar.	Florence E. Bothwell.	Spring ..	10	18.8	17.7	95.0		17
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Fall	11	21.2	20.2	93.0		10
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Winter..	11	20.5	18.2	91.0	93.0	50
Center, Primary..	Minnie M. Mellen	Spring ..	10	17.0	16.0	96.0		18
	Minnie M. Mellen	Fall	11	17.0	16.4	96.5		15
	Minnie M. Mellen	Winter..	11	14.3	13.5	94.3	95.6	12
Coldbrook	Lena R. Edmands....	Spring ..	10	9.0	8.8	98.0		1
	Blanche Packard	Fall	11	9.8	9.3	94.0		0
	Blanche Packard	Winter..	11	8.9	8.1	91.0	94.3	4
South	Blanche Packard	Spring ..	11	17.7	16.4	92.9		2
	Mrs. Minnie Woodis..	Fall	11	17.3	15.7	90.6		4
	Mrs. Minnie Woodis..	Winter..	5	16.0	14.0	87.5	90.0	4
West	Althea Russell	Spring ..	10	17.9	17.2	96.0		5
	Althea Russell	Fall	11	18.7	17.9	94.7		10
	Althea Russell	Winter..	11	19.5	17.0	87.2	92.6	11

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

	HOLDEN	OAKHAM	PAXTON	RUTLAND	Total
No. enrolled since September 1, 1902..	560	89	85	281	1015
Average membership for year	473.1	81.2	68	226.1	848.1
Average attendance for year	417.2	75.5	60.4	190.9	744.0
Per cent. of attendance for year	89.3	93.1	88.7	85.1	89.1
Per cent. of attendance for last year..	90.0	93.5	86.6	87.6	89.4

summary with the one of last year, there will be noted an increase of all the items but one in the "Total" column, though some of the towns show losses. The "per cent. of attendance" is slightly decreased in all the towns except Paxton. It is well to realize the meaning of this item. The average per cent. for the district, 89.1, means that the equivalent of more than one day of school in every two weeks is lost on account of the absence of pupils. Some of this loss is, of course, unavoidable, but I am convinced that much of it might be prevented by due care in the matter on the part of parents. The teachers are instructed to ascertain the reason for every case of absence, and to record in the register whether the case is excusable or not. The reasons rendered confirm fully the words of Secretary Hill:

There are scores of reasons assigned for the non-attendance of children at school that cannot, in any fairness, make the absence necessary. They are reasons that parents or pupils may readily overcome by a little extra pains, a little greater sturdiness, a little more self-denial, a little greater forethought, a little higher conception of duty.

The indifference of many parents to the value of school privileges has led to the passage of compulsory attendance laws. The law of Massachusetts includes the following provisions:

Every child between seven and fourteen years of age shall attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides during the entire time the public day schools are in session, subject to such

exceptions as to children, places of attendance and schools as are provided for in section three of chapter forty-two, and sections three, five and six of this chapter. The superintendent of schools, or, if there is no superintendent of schools, the school committee, or teachers acting under authority of said superintendent or committee, may excuse cases of necessary absence. . . . Every person having under his control a child as described in this section shall cause him to attend school as herein required, and if he fails for five day sessions, or ten half-day sessions within any period of six months while under such control, to cause such child, whose physical or mental condition is not such as to render his attendance at school harmful or impracticable, so to attend school, he shall, upon complaint of the truant officer and conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of more than twenty dollars.

I have the names of fifty-six children reported by the teachers as absent for more than ten half-day sessions within a period of six months, without a reason which makes the absence necessary. The parents of such children are plainly subjects for the action of the courts.

The "Roll of Honor," printed in the several town reports, shows the appreciation of many parents and pupils of the benefit of regularity in school attendance. Due recognition should also be made of the many pupils who are equally faithful, but whose necessary absence caused the omission of their names from the list. In fact, it is a small minority of parents and pupils who are seriously delinquent in the matter under consideration. It is for this minority that the compulsory attendance laws are framed. I strongly recommend the enforcement of these laws.

FINANCIAL FACTS.

The following table, compiled from data at hand, will be found to contain some interesting figures :

	HOLDEN	OAKHAM	PAXTON	RUTLAND
1. Valuation of town	\$1,310,479	\$330,025	\$302,937	\$669,332
2. Valuation per child of average membership	\$2,769.98	\$4,064.35	\$4,454.95	\$2,961.22
3. Raised by taxation for schools last year	\$8,000	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$3,750
4. Taxation for schools per thousand of valuation	\$6.10	\$3.63	\$3.96	\$5.60
5. Taxation cost per child of aver. membership per year	\$16.89	\$14.78	\$17.65	\$16.58
6. No. of school days in year . .	180	160	170	160
7. Taxation cost per child of aver. membership per day	\$.093	\$.092	\$.104	\$.103

The best test of the financial ability of a town with regard to school expenditures is the valuation behind each child of the average membership of its schools. The average valuation for each pupil in the average membership of the public schools of the State is \$7,319. Comparing the amounts opposite the second item in the table with this sum, it will be seen that our towns are comparatively poor.

The average rate of local taxation for the support of schools in the State is \$3.70 on each thousand dollars of valuation. Comparing the figures opposite the fourth item, it is seen that all but one of our towns are taxed at a higher rate.

The average local taxation cost of support for each child in the average membership for the State is \$27.04. Our towns get along with the modest sums set opposite the fifth item.

The schooling of the average child in Massachusetts costs \$0.14 per day. A Paxton child goes to school in the morning, is furnished his books, paper and all other needed material, and is instructed during the day by a competent teacher. He has cost the town, when he returns home at night, \$0.104. A pupil in any other of our towns costs a few mills less per day. And yet there are a few people among us who raise the question of a reduction of school expenses!

The problem of the equalization of the school burdens of the towns of the Commonwealth still puzzles the authorities. In the words of Secretary Hill, "There are extremes, anomalies, incongruities, indeed, in a state policy that is admirable in the main, but they none the less merit correction." Our towns, however, are to be congratulated on the fact that, under the present plan of distribution of State funds, their share of those funds is so generous. The table above shows that the local taxation cost of our schools is not excessive. As to the possible value of what is received in return for the expenditure, let me refer to the quotation from State Superintendent Schaeffer in my last report, and also to the following paragraph from him:

Commissioner W. T. Harris collected statistics showing that in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which gives every child an average schooling of seven years of two hundred days each, the average daily earnings of the people are 33 cents in excess of the earnings for the rest of the United States, which gives the child but four years (a little more) of schooling. For the entire State of Massachusetts this excess amounts to \$250,000,000 annually. In the days when the present wage-earners were at school in Massachusetts, she spent about ten millions upon her schools. Now, if you can put \$10,000,000 into brains and get a return of \$250,000,000 in increased earnings—\$25 for every dollar invested—who will dispute the proposition that money spent in the right education of the people is the best investment of public funds ever made?

THE TEACHER IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

The supreme fact should not be overlooked, however, that the interests of the State are indissolubly bound up with the interests of its children, that these interests are too vast and sacred to be trifled with, and that they demand for their protection and promotion the very best of teaching service. Now, granting all the exceptions that may be cited, it remains true that trained teachers render by far the better service. The State for sixty years has pressed for such service—it opened its first normal school in 1839. It maintains today, at large expense, ten normal schools. Its prime motive in aiding so many of its smaller towns is to enable them to engage this superior service. The State pays half the salaries of all the district superintendents, it contributes a special sum of money to every superintendency district, it requires every town, every city, to employ a superintendent of schools; and all to make more effective, if it can, the teaching in the public schools.—*Secretary Hill, Sixty-fifth Report.*

Your superintendent recognizes the truth so forcibly stated by our honored secretary. On the character, ability, and skill of the teacher mainly depends the success of the schools. The critical question concerns what goes on when the teacher stands before her class. To the degree in which she is then able to command the attention of the pupils, to arouse their interest, to call forth their energies, and direct those energies into educative work, to that degree will the ends of the school be reached. To assist in the higher development of such ability is the supreme and most difficult function of the superintendent. By plans for the work to be required, by personal instruction, by illustration of principles and methods at my visits, by encouragement and suggestion, by kindly but plain personal criticism, by the arrangement of teachers' meetings, by the direction of the teachers' reading along professional lines, and by all other means available, I have tried to increase the effectiveness of the teaching. In the pursuit of this end, however, I recognize fully the absolute necessity of willing and intelligent endeavor on the part of the individual teacher. It is impossible to *impart* knowledge, skill, or power to another, whether that other be a pupil or teacher. These results *grow* in the individual as the result of that individual's own activities. The provision of opportunity and stimulus, and the direction of aroused energies into the most fruitful channels, form the main work alike of the teacher with regard to her pupils and of the superintendent with regard to his teachers.

In accordance with this idea it is intended to give full liberty to the individuality of the teacher within the limits of established educational principles. It is assumed that the teacher has brains and she is expected to use them.

The superintendent's ideas are further expressed in a circular sent to teachers recently, and which was made the basis for discussion in a teachers' meeting:

Intelligence and earnestness, native tact and power of control, genial manners and sympathy with childhood, all these qualities are of the utmost importance to the success of the teacher. Care should be taken to maintain and strengthen these natural personal endowments. Supplementary to them, special professional study is neces-

sary to the highest success. Normal school attendance is desirable as aiding in such study, but every teacher, whether normal courses have been taken or not, should make it a regular part of her business to *study* in professional lines. Some of these lines are indicated below :

1. *The Children Themselves.* Our work is ministering to the growth of children. Knowing the children is a fundamental necessity. Attentive, sympathetic observation of individuals in the school, at play, and in their homes, yields many practical results, not the least of which is preparation to understand and appreciate books on psychology.

2. *The Subjects of the Course of Study.* Each of these may furnish nutriment for the mind of the teacher as well as that of the pupil. Full, accurate, and *fresh* knowledge of the subject taught is one of the greatest needs in instruction, and one of the strongest aids in management. It begets confidence in the teacher on the part of pupils, and "confidence is the sure basis of cheerful obedience." The special matter of the text-books used by the pupils should be so mastered by the teacher that she may be independent of the book in class exercises. The general plan of the book should be comprehended and usually followed in instruction. Authors' prefaces and suggestions to teachers should be carefully considered. A growing knowledge of the subjects as sources of educative material will characterize the progressive teacher.

3. *Educational Books.* Pedagogical experience and scientific study have settled some things. Books like Dr. White's "School Management," and the same author's "Art of Teaching," record established conclusions. By the study of such books the teacher may greatly lessen the high cost of tuition in the school of experience.

4. *Educational Periodicals.* They record current thought and practice, and many give helpful details for immediate use. Every teacher should read one or more.

5. *History in the Making.* Relating the school and its work to the present life of the world should be a distinct aim of the teacher. Hence the teacher must keep in touch with current events. The newspaper must be read, with judicious skipping. Current magazines should be scanned for matter valuable professionally.

Thus much as to strictly professional studies. But so great a factor in teaching is *personality* that any reading or study which refreshes the spirit, enlarges the sympathies, or enriches the mind will result in increased professional power.

Several questions designed to bring out the facts regarding the experience and professional study of our teachers were later answered by all our force. From the answers it appears that length of experience varies from five months to forty

years; that one half of the teachers entered on their work with no professional preparation whatever; that only seven are normal graduates; and that all the remainder had some preparatory training in normal schools, city training classes, or college courses.

The answers to questions in regard to professional reading are exceedingly suggestive, but it will suffice here to say that the teachers are commendably responsive to the superintendent's efforts in this matter. It is particularly encouraging to find from the answers that all agree with the statements of the circular quoted above, and that every teacher considers herself as *growing* in efficiency, an estimate which the superintendent approves.

The salaries of our teachers below the high school range from \$256 to \$432 per year. Consequently, "resigned to accept a better position," is a frequent phrase in the latter part of this report. One of the features most discouraging to committees and superintendent is the lack of the funds necessary to retain, in many cases, our growing, ambitious teachers.

The teacher's work, with all its pleasant features, involves large nervous expenditure, and has many perplexities and trials of patience. The management of a very few children in the home is frequently a task which disturbs the serenity of father and mother. And yet the teacher is expected, rightly enough, to secure cheerful obedience, orderly conduct, and attention to business, on the part of large groups of children. In the performance of the task the teacher needs all the cheer, encouragement, and practical assistance which parents can render. I have urged upon teachers, when beginning work in a new school, to endeavor at once to establish cordial relations with the parents of the children, and by no means to let the acquaintance begin when some occasion for complaint has arisen. I would also remind parents that the highest usefulness of the teacher to their children depends upon intimate acquaintance with them, and upon the support she has from the home.

Parents should not wait until a call at the school is made necessary by some friction which has been discovered, but

should do their part toward the early formation of the cordial relations previously mentioned. The best results are possible in education only when teacher and parent work together in the harmony born of mutual understanding and regard.

THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROGRAM.

"Orthography, reading, writing, the English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, drawing, the history of the United States, physiology and hygiene, and good behavior," are the subjects required by law to be taught in the public schools of the Commonwealth. Such other subjects as the school committee consider expedient are permitted.

The proper distribution of the limited school time among the subjects, especially in our "multigraded" schools, is one of the most serious problems of school economy. Each teacher has this year made a special attempt to prepare a well-balanced daily program, in which the number of minutes to be devoted to each subject, including both study and recitation, is definitely specified. The ratio of the time given to each subject per week to the whole weekly school time, has been calculated and reported to the superintendent.

These reports show that "the three R's," and the other standard utilities, are not being neglected, but are receiving their full share of time. The "enrichment" of the elementary course by the introduction of new subjects and new phases of old subjects has certainly not gone to extremes in our schools, however it may be with others which are charged with devotion to "fads."

Hand-work in school, nature study, and the reading of standard literature, have passed the "fad" stage, and are now regarded as solid and valuable additions to the school course, to be correlated in sensible ways with each other and with the older work. Our teachers are giving attention to these lines with increasingly valuable results.

In reading, we are trying to extend the use of the public libraries by taking sets of books to the schools at a distance, and otherwise to develop a taste for the good things in print.

Our exhibits during the coming term will show considerable advance in the line of hand-work. In nature study, we are trying to shape our practice in accordance with the ideals of Dr. C. F. Hodge, of Clark University. Dr. Hodge regards the subject as "learning those things in nature that are best worth knowing, to the end of doing those things that make life most worth living," and says that for elementary study "we must select those things that stand in fundamental associations with life and about which the children can find something worth while to do."

This last statement really expresses the growing ideal among educators in regard to the selection of matter to be taught from all the great fields of knowledge. It is the ideal of your superintendent, an ideal imperfectly realized, it is true, that the matter and the method of all school instruction should be mainly determined by the consideration of what will best enable the pupil *to live* and *to enjoy living*, as a worthy citizen of our democracy.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

In September, an Institute was held at Jefferson, under the direction of the State Board of Education. All the teachers of the district attended, together with many others from neighboring towns. Hon. Frank A. Hill, secretary of the Board; Messrs. MacDonald, Prince and Bailey, agents of the Board; Misses Allen and Bragg of the Fitchburg and Lowell normal schools, respectively; and Miss Lovejoy of Malden, were the speakers. This meeting proved of much practical help to our teachers.

In October occurred the annual meeting of the Worcester County Teachers' Association. Nearly all our teachers attended, as usual.

As in former years, I have planned to hold five meetings in each town during the year, devoting a half day to each. Our teachers being so widely separated, it has been considered wise to limit the meetings to the number mentioned. The plan of each meeting includes work by the teachers in prepa-

ration, active participation in the meeting, and further study of the topics after the meeting. "The Teacher as a Student," and "A Study of Interest" were the topics for the last two meetings. "Waste in School Work" will be considered at the meetings in April. As usual, all persons interested are invited to meet with the teachers.

PATRONS' DAY.

This day was observed in all the schools during the months of May and June, in accordance with the plan outlined in my last report. In Oakham, the main features of the day were combined with the established custom of "Examination Day." Special invitations were sent to every parent and to many others to visit the school on the afternoon of a particular day. At the school, a programme of exercises selected from the usual day's work was presented. This programme aimed to show fair samples of the regular teaching and recitation in the leading school subjects, and also to show the general spirit and method of the school management. A careful observer could easily discover the merits and defects of the school. As a further means of promoting thorough acquaintance with the quality of the work being done, specimens of the pupils' drawings, written papers, and other handiwork were displayed in a form planned for easy inspection. A part of each pupil's work was mounted on a large sheet of cardboard, which he was afterward allowed to take home. After the early closing of the session, and the inspection of the exhibit, the visitors were invited to participate in an informal conference on matters of common interest to patrons and teachers.

The teachers' monthly report includes a mention of the number of visits received during the month. The reports for October, 1902, a favorable month for comparison, show a total of 171 visits. But for the month which included Patrons' Day the total was 825. It will be seen, therefore, that the attempt to bring together the schools and their patrons for the purpose of mutual acquaintance was fairly successful. The attempt will be repeated during the coming term, and it is

hoped that a much larger attendance may be secured. We expect to show that decided progress has been made during the year. Patrons are reminded, however, that the schools are theirs all the year round, and that visitors are gladly welcomed at any hour of every day.

THE TOWNS IN PARTICULAR.

HOLDEN.

Teachers.—The principal at Jefferson, the assistant in the high school, and the teachers at Dawson, Springdale, and North Woods resigned during the year, all but the latter to accept better educational positions.

The number of children in the Unionville district having increased and their location making transportation impracticable, the school there was reopened in April. The teacher secured resigned in October to accept a better position. All the new teachers are proving efficient.

It is intended to change the time for the annual election of teachers from the March meeting of the committee to the meeting held the first Monday in June, and hereafter to elect for the natural school year beginning in September and ending in June. In order to make the change, the elections in March this year will be for the spring term only.

Repairs.—The five rooms in the Jefferson building were much improved by kalsomining the walls in a proper tint, and by redressing the woodwork. The halls should receive a similar treatment during the coming year. The outside of the building is in need of paint, and some leaks in the roof demand attention.

The wornout furnace at Quinapoxet was replaced by a new one, which has done its work satisfactorily during the winter. The Quinapoxet building was also improved with new paint and paper.

The interior of the building at Unionville was renovated in preparation for the reopening of the school. The roof of this building will need new shingles during the coming year.

The Ninth Grade.—In September, 1901, all the ninth-grade pupils of the town, twenty-two in number, were placed in the high school building to be instructed by the high school teachers. The fact that the high school comprised but two regular classes for that year made this plan entirely feasible. It was designed in this way to secure a better preparation on the part of pupils for the regular high school work, and thus eventually to raise the standard of work done in the high school. The class pursued the work of the year with interest and good results, and every member returned in September, 1902, all but two to enter the high school, and these to repeat the ninth-grade work. Another ninth grade, comprising eighteen pupils, was gathered last September and is now pursuing its work with the three regular high school classes. The subjects pursued are arithmetic, grammar and composition, history, elementary physics, and drawing. The success of the present plan for the instruction of this grade would seem to justify making it permanent.

High School.—In accordance with the plan approved last year, a choice between a course of study including Latin, and a course without that subject, was offered the entering class in September. All chose the Latin course.

The new course, approved by the Committee in September, requires each pupil to take four subjects instead of three, as heretofore, besides drawing one day in the week. Thirty minutes are added to the former school day.

The small high school has unavoidable limitations. As Secretary Hill remarks, "Its work must be reduced to the simplest and most manageable forms." Even then, the work of the teachers is very difficult, and more than ordinary zeal, industry, and teaching power is required to secure results that compare favorably with those of the larger schools. The people of this community know the sterling qualities of the principal who has served them so efficiently for nearly twenty-three years. The scholarship and character of his assistant, a resident of the town, are also familiar to all. Both are deeply devoted to their work, and are in perfect accord with the committee and superintendent in the effort to make a course

of study at the Holden High School as broad and thorough as the conditions will permit.

There was no graduating class last year. In the place of the usual graduation exercises, a lecture was given by Rev. George L. Perrin, D.D., of Boston. There are nine pupils who expect to receive diplomas in June next. A graduating class is expected in 1904, but not in 1905, as no class entered in 1901. In 1906, the four regular high school classes will all be represented, and in that year the instruction of these classes and that of the ninth grade will make necessary the employment of a third teacher.

Miss Mabel E. Dickinson of Worcester continues her work as teacher of drawing, spending one day each week at the school. By special arrangement with the principal, Mrs. L. L. Holden of Worcester has given instruction in singing for a few weeks in the winter term, and under her direction a very creditable public concert was given on the evening of Feb. 27.

Attendance.—The South school retains the best record of attendance in the town, though this year it takes second place in the district. The attendance at Jefferson and Quinapoxet was decreased materially in the winter term by the prevalence of measles. The opening of the schools at the Centre for that term was delayed two weeks for the same cause, and the time will be made up in March.

One of the truant officers reports no calls from teachers for his services, though he has sent to school several children found on the street. The other officer has made eight visits at the request of teachers. The superintendent has made several calls on delinquent parents, when such calls could be made conveniently.

A Look Ahead.—I have taken occasion in a public address to suggest what I consider an altogether probable development of the future. Let me here put on record the suggestion. It is the provision at the Centre of a new school building, in a good location, of suitable size, and of a style not contrasting too much with the beautiful Damon Memorial. To this building, when the people provide it, will be carried

in comfortable conveyances the children of the three small schools nearest the Centre. All will then enjoy the benefits of a graded school in the most attractive surroundings. The development of the town which is expected to follow the advent of the electric railway may lead to an early realization of what is now only a pleasant vision.

OAKHAM.

Teachers.—Miss Lena R. Edmands resigned her position at Coldbrook in June to return to college. Miss Blanche Packard, who had taught the South school during the spring term, was appointed in her place. Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis was appointed to the South school, where she had formerly done good service for several years. No other changes occurred.

In December, Mrs. Woodis, Miss Russell, and Miss Packard were "specially examined," as the required preliminary to an application to the Board of Education for an increase of salary, under the "exceptional ability" law. After an inspection of their schools by Mr. J. W. MacDonald, agent of the Board, the application was approved. Two dollars per week was then added to the salaries of each of the three teachers, and the amount will be refunded by the State. A similar application in the case of Miss Mellen was approved last year. The town is thus receiving from the State eight dollars per week to apply on teachers' salaries, besides the fifty dollars per year received for the same purpose under the superintendency law. Both of these sums are in addition to its share of the State school fund under the general law.

The School Year.—The generous State aid which the town receives, it seems to me, should render practicable an addition of two weeks to the school year, which is now as short as the law allows. The average length of the school year in the State generally is nine months and six days, or one month and six days more than the legal requirement.

Apparatus.—The set of maps for the Centre Grammar room, recommended last year, has been purchased, and the globes for other rooms, also recommended, are provided for.

Repairs.—The interior of the “West Brick” is getting very dingy and dilapidated, and should be thoroughly renovated. Mending, paint and kalsomine will make this ancient building renew its youth.

Examination Day.—The closing day of every term has drawn a goodly number of parents and friends to the school, as usual. We wish the number of visitors on that day might be increased, and also that frequent visits during the term might be made. At the close of the spring term a special effort is made to show the nature and quality of the school activities by means of an exhibit of the pupils’ handiwork. The exhibit in the various schools last June was highly creditable, especially the one at the Centre. It is hoped that much improvement will be shown by the exhibit next June, and that many more parents and friends will inspect it.

Attendance.—The per cent. of attendance in the town for the year surpasses that of any other town in the district, as has been the case since the district was formed. The primary school at the Centre this year steps above the South school in Holden to the first place in the district, with a per cent. of 95.6. All the schools of Oakham stand at 90 per cent. or above. The truant officer has a sinecure in Oakham.

PAXTON.

Teachers.—The vacancy in the principalship caused by the retirement in June of Miss Rachel U. Cornwell was filled by the election of Miss Jennie R. Burnham, who had taught with marked success in an adjoining town. The wisdom of the committee in offering the increased salary required to secure Miss Burnham has been amply justified. Misses Baker and Converse continue their efficient service. Their salary is made ten dollars per week by the aid of the State grant, under the “exceptional ability” law, designed to aid small towns in securing and retaining good teachers.

Text Books.—The new series of Frye’s geographies, and the “Mother Tongue” series of language books have been adopted by the committee. These books, together with the Werner arithmetics, previously introduced, are proving satisfactory.

Repairs.—The new cement floor for the basement, laid during the summer, is much appreciated by teachers and pupils. Last year I mentioned two other very desirable improvements, both of them, like the basement floor, usually included in the contract for a finished building. They are the tinting of the walls and the provision of good blackboards. The latter is the more pressing need. The present boards consist of a covering of liquid slating on very rough plaster. An inspection of them will show how defective they are. I recommend placing on the walls a good quality of real slate, three and one-half feet wide. From a measurement of the surface and from prices obtained from responsible dealers, I estimate the expense at about \$120. Such blackboards are practically indestructible and are generally regarded as the cheapest in the end.

Attendance.—It is gratifying to report increased regularity of attendance. For the first year of my supervision the per cent. of attendance was 82.3; for the second, 86.6, and for this, the third, 88.7. But it should be remembered that the highest per cent. yet reached means a loss of more than one-ninth of the school expenditure. On the average through the year the town has failed to receive a return for the expense of one day in nine, on account of the absence of pupils. Much of this loss is due to the indifference of a few parents, and to the unsatisfactory service of one, at least, of those engaged to transport children. It is hoped that losses from these causes may be entirely obviated during the coming year.

RUTLAND.

Teachers.—Mr. Frank P. Ayer, principal of the High School; Miss Jennie R. Burnham, of the Centre Grammar School; Miss Jennie Gilbert, of the Centre Intermediate; and Miss Grace Damon, of North Rutland, resigned in June. In November, Miss Edith I. Brown, assistant in the High school, also resigned. Miss Gilbert resigned to enter a normal school, and all the others to accept better positions. The names of the new teachers will be found in the table of statistics. All but Miss Newcomb were

without experience. Mr. Ellis is a college graduate, and has spent a year in post-graduate study at Clark University, and has also done other graduate work. Miss Gleason holds a diploma from Mt. Holyoke, and Miss Claflin one from Smith. All of the new teachers are growing in efficiency through experience and study.

The High School.—A choice between the two courses of study printed in the report of last year was offered the students in September, and all chose the course with Latin. Three pupils were allowed to change to the English course later. The high school now includes only the first and second year classes, thirteen pupils in all. The eighth grade, the preparatory class, now numbering sixteen, is also taught by the high school teachers, as last year.

Ethel Blanche Thurston, Bessie Howe Bartlett, Ethel Maria Heald, and Henry Hall King were graduated June 19, 1902. All are now pursuing advanced studies in other schools.

Near the close of the year the class was called to mourn the sad death of one of its members, Miss Nola Dudley, a young lady of fine character and ability.

The State requires of the high school that it "shall be kept open for the benefit of all the inhabitants of the city or town for at least forty weeks, exclusive of vacations, in each year," and the law provides that the town's share of the income of the school fund shall be withheld, in case the town has not maintained its high school for at least thirty-six weeks. Rutland will now observe the law in this matter to a degree sufficient to escape the penalty, and will maintain its high school for thirty-six weeks. The eighth grade is this year offered the same length of schooling.

The law of Massachusetts further requires that every town with more than five hundred families shall maintain a high school, and that every other town shall either maintain a high school of its own or pay for the tuition of its properly qualified children in the high school of another town or city. The Legislature of 1902 made two changes in the high-school law which are of importance to the town of Rutland. One of these raised the limit of valuation under which a town is

eligible to State reimbursement for tuition expenditures in outside high schools from \$500,000 to \$750,000. Having less than five hundred families, Rutland is not required to maintain a high school, and, its valuation being \$669,332, it may now, if it choose, send its high-school pupils to another town and be reimbursed for tuition expenditures. The other amendment provides that towns of less than five hundred families maintaining a high school with two or more teachers each, are entitled to a grant from the State of \$300 annually, provided their high-school conditions are approved by the State Board of Education. The sum mentioned is payable after the close of the school year, the first payment being due after Sept. 1, 1903. Should the Rutland High School be approved by the Board of Education, the town would receive this new and welcome grant from the State. At the request of the committee and superintendent, the agent of the Board, Mr. J. W. MacDonald, has inspected the school, with a view to determining whether the conditions justify its approval. At this writing the final decision of the Board has not been received.

Attendance.—A reference to the "Summary of Attendance" shows that the per cent. of attendance has fallen off from that of last year, and that this town now ranks the lowest in the district in this matter. The "Statistical Tables" show in which schools the greatest losses have occurred. It will be seen that West Rutland has done its part toward making a good record for the town. Parents are earnestly asked to unite with the teachers in a strong effort to greatly increase the regularity of attendance during the coming year.

Repairs and Apparatus.—The interior of the building at West Rutland was renovated in an inexpensive way during the summer. The growth of this school will probably make a larger room necessary in the near future.

A beginning has been made toward equipping the schools with needed apparatus by the purchase of several globes and maps, and of a small encyclopedia for the high school. It is hoped the Committee may have funds sufficient to continue such equipment during the coming year.

The School Year.—Reference has already been made to the addition of four weeks to the high-school year, in order to comply with the law. The year for the other schools remains at thirty-two weeks, the lowest legal limit. Let me call attention again to the words of Secretary Hill:

If towns plan for precisely thirty-two weeks' schooling, they expose themselves to a pretty strong likelihood of running short of that length. Would it not be wise for them to add a margin of a week or two for contingencies? A generous margin thus added would still leave them several weeks behind the State average.

I trust that the voters may grant the Committee sufficient funds to enable them to continue the schools for at least thirty-four weeks.

Again let me record my grateful appreciation of the continued confidence and support of the several committees.

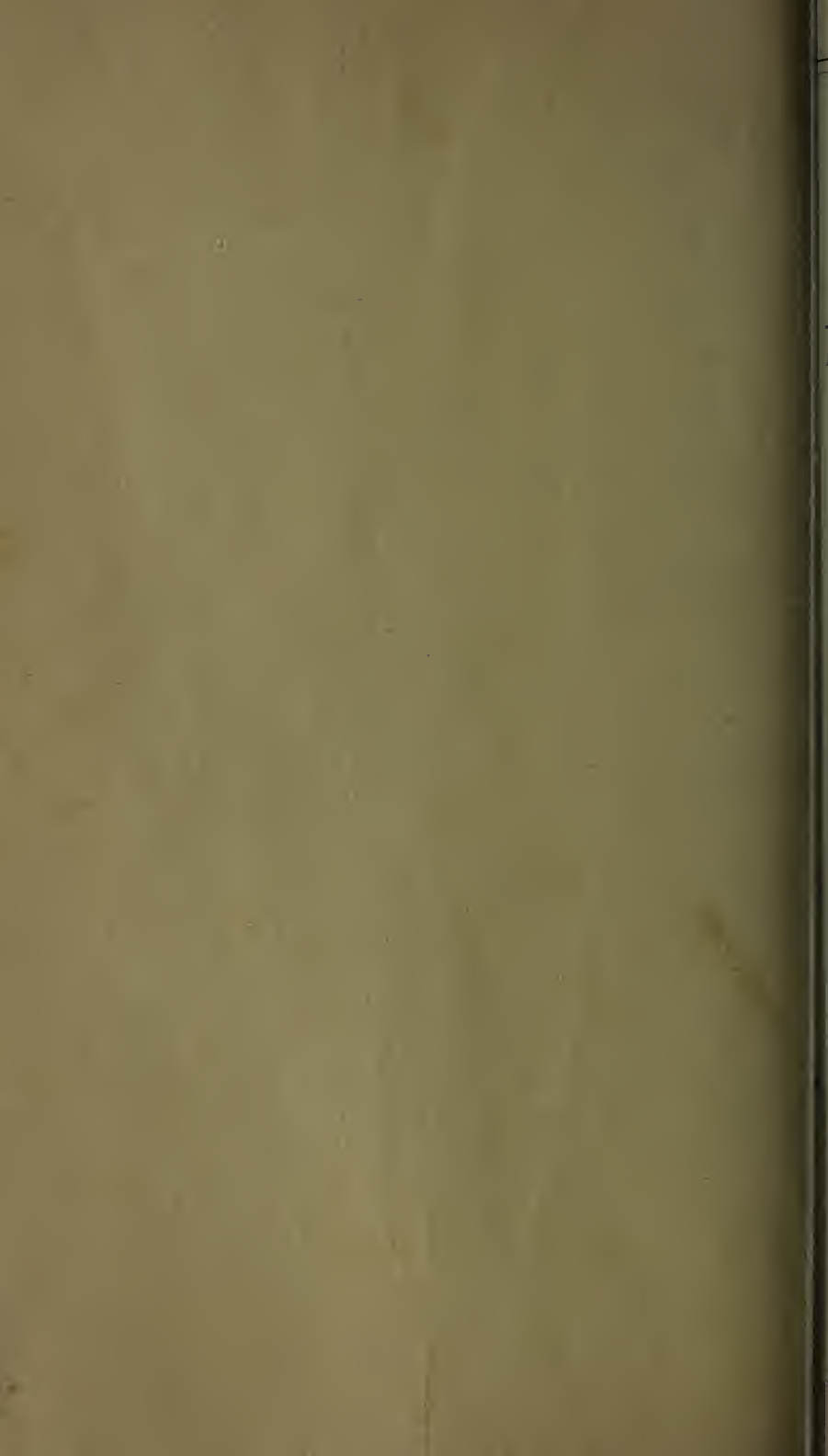
Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES,

Superintendent of Schools.

Holden, Mass., March 7, 1903.

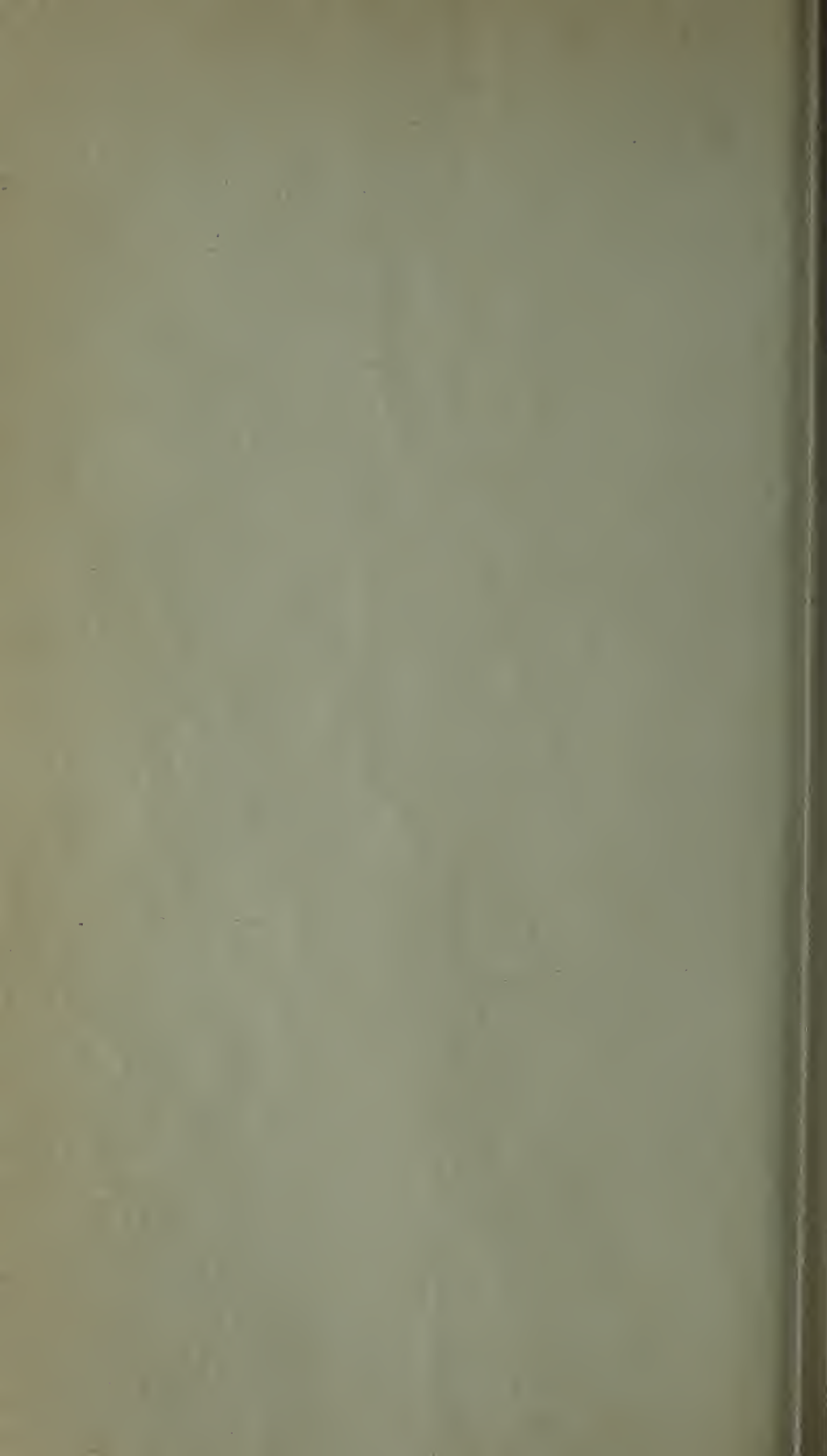
Salaries	4000.	765
Highway Bridge	1600.	Hydrants
Power	600.	Bank
State aid	5400.	
Town Officers	1000.	
Remainder due	25.	
Incidental	1600.	
Subs	4000.	
Green	12600.	
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TOWN CLERK,
LOUIS M. HANFF.

SELECTMEN,

C. R. BARTLETT, T. S. HEALD, H. E. WHEELER

ASSESSORS,

W. C. TEMPLE, G. S. PUTNAM, C. J. CAMPBELL

OVERSEERS OF POOR,

W. H. MAYNARD, D. F. SMITH, JOSEPH E. WARE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

WM. C. TEMPLE, DAVID P. BUTLER, DENNIS A. SMITH

WATER COMMISSIONERS,

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HIGHWAY SURVEYOR,

FRANK D. FORBUSH.

BOARD OF HEALTH,

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D. P. BUTLER, M. D.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE,

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E. E. LAWRENCE, LOUIS M. HANFF.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR,

D. S. THURSTON.

TREE WARDEN,

GEORGE H. MILES.

AUDITOR,

A. F. BROWN.

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D. S. THURSTON, L. M. HANFF, W. B. WARE, A. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS,

GEORGE H. MILES, J. E. O'LEARY

POUND KEEPER,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

FENCE VIEWERS,

L. M. HANFF, A. B. FISHER, NEWTON I. SARGENT

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,

LOUIS M. HANFF.

SOLDIERS' BURIAL AGENT,

D. F. SMITH.

SEXTON,

R. C. PRESCOTT.

SPECIAL POLICE,

W. F. MOORE, BYRON J. SPRAGUE, GEORGE S. PUTNAM

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

To J. WARREN MOULTON, Constable of the Town of Rutland, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for Town Clerk for three years, for three Selectmen for one year, for three Assessors for one year, for three Overseers of Poor for one year, for a Town Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for five Constables for one year, for an Auditor for one year, for one member of the School Committee for three years, for one member of the Water Commissioners for three years, for one Trustee of Public Library for three years, for a Surveyor of Highways for one

year, for one member of the Board of Health for three years, for a Tree Warden for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in Town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The Polls will be opened at ten o'clock A. M., and may be closed at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

ART. 5. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town in anticipation of Taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see if the Treasurer of the Town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.

ART. 8. To see what sums of money the Town shall raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools, for transportation to and from the Public Schools, for repairs of Highways and Bridges, for Support of Poor, for State and Military Aid, for Salaries of Town Officers, for use on Memorial Day, for Contingent Expenses, and Paying Debts.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday Law against Hunting and Fishing.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to make an appropriation for the Water Department on account of Hydrant Service.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to give the Rural Cemetery Association the free use of water for their fountain, or act thereon.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to extend its Water System, or act thereon.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will abate any Taxes in the hands of the Collector.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote to abate the Tax of 1903, assessed on the "Standard Woolen Mills," at North Rutland, or act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 335 of the Revised Laws, relative to the Term of Office of Town Officers, or act anything thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will adopt the By-Laws as presented by the Committee, or make any amendments thereto.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will take any action with reference to caring for its Poor on the co-operative plan.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote permission to the Commonwealth to improve the highway leading from the Sanitarium to Muschopauge Station, or act thereon.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will take any action with reference to the observance of Old Home Week.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to grant Licenses to gather old junk, or act thereon.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will vote to make any repairs on the Public Building, or act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting Attested Copies thereof agreeable to vote of said Town. One at each Post Office and one at the Congregational Church in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereby, fail not to make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fifteenth day of March, one thousand, nine hundred and four.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

For the Year Ending March 1, 1904.

Dr.

We have drawn orders in favor of Holden Poor
Farm Association to the amount of \$189 03

OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid aid rendered Granville F. Lombard and family,	\$381 60
Aid rendered Henry A. Pace and family,	44 39
Town of Hubbardston, for Carrie Chickering and family,	32 00
Aid rendered Joseph E. and Margaret Valley,	5 88
City of Worcester, for Eli Nadow,	14 00
Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton,	52 00
Dr. W. E. Chamberlain, for James Watwith,	23 50
R. C. Prescott, for burial of James Watwith,	10 00
City of Worcester, for Melvina Nadow,	12 00
Town of Holden, lodging two tramps,	50

\$764 90

Cr.

Received from City of Malden, for Granville F.

Lombard and Family, \$381 60

Received from City of Boston, for Henry A.

Pace and family, 44 39

Received from Town of Millbury, for Ambler child, 3 00

Received from Preston Warren, for board, 20 28

Received from Daniel Valley, for Joseph E. and

Margaret Valley, 5 88

\$455 15

Net expense of supporting Poor the past year,

\$309 75

W. H. MAYNARD, } Overseers
D. F. SMITH, } of
JOS. E. WARE, } Poor

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOLDEN POOR FARM ASSOCIATION

For the Year ending January 31, 1904.

INMATES RECEIVING SUPPORT.

HOLDEN.

Name	Age	Remarks	Days
Lizzie Kenney,	47	continues,	365
Thomas O'Keefe,	73	died February 14,	14
Charles Prue,	81	died January 30,	364
Jane Prue,	82	committed to lunatic hos. Dec. 15,	318
Winfred Durdeen,	53	committed to lunatic hos. Dec. 15,	318
Earle Holden,		new born waif, taken by State Board of Charity when one week old.	
			<u>1,379</u>

HUBBARDSTON.

David Rice,	85	continues,	365
John Nealand,	82	continues,	365
Amos F. Clark,	74	admitted November 23,	69
Henry Clark,	26	committed to lunatic hospital Nov. 14,	287
Shirly Libby,	81	died August 30,	211
Andrew May,	56	discharged April 30,	89
			<u>1,386</u>

OAKHAM.

Charles Winslow,	46	continues,	365
Benjamin Nourse,	75	committed to lunatic hospital July 25,	175
			<u>540</u>

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Name	Age	Remarks	Days
PAXTON.			
Jacob Karle,	69	continues,	365
Lavina H. Pierce,	59	continues,	365
Carrie Snow,	50	committed to lunatic hospital Dec. 15,	318
			<hr/> 1,048

PRINCETON.			
Henry Brown,	57	continues,	365
Martin Kelty,	38	admitted July 2,	213
John Black,	53	discharged March 26,	54
			<hr/> 632

RUTLAND.			
Rosa Roen,	67	continues,	365
John Kelly,	44	away 62 days,	303
James Watwith,	48	admitted December 20.	42
Preston Warren,	81	left February 5, returned November 21, left January 23,	68
			<hr/> 778

WESTMINSTER.			
Adeline Eager,	63	continues,	365
Sarah Blake,	64	continues,	365
Jeremiah Lucuis,	79	continues,	365
Laura Freeman,	66	continues.	365
Ephriam Lufkin,	77	admitted April 2,	304
Alfred Matten,	85	admitted October 20, died December 6,	47
			<hr/> 1811

Total board furnished 7,574 days, or 1,082 weeks.

William McCutcheon, of Holden, boarded at the Institution from August 7 until his death, October 12, and Mrs. M. A. Mullett, of Oakham, from May 23 until August 5.

Total number of inmates 30, of whom 4 have died, 5 have been committed to lunatic hospital, 3 discharged, an infant taken by the State Board of Charity, and 17 remain.

The weekly average has been $20\frac{2}{3}$.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Milk,	\$2,144 11	
Stock,	214 50	
Miscellaneous,	157 93	
	<hr/>	\$2,516 54

EXPENDITURES.

Warden's and Matron's salaries,	\$600 00	
Outside labor,	341 93	
Inside labor,	156 37	
Flour and grain,	976 75	
Groceries,	522 97	
Meat and fish,	189 65	
Dry goods and furniture,	93 18	
Boots and shoes,	51 54	
Tools and seeds,	149 45	
Blacksmithing,	32 98	
Medical attendance and medicine,	71 14	
Stock,	499 50	
Fertilizers,	40 00	
Ice,	7 64	
Tobacco and Snuff,	29 97	
Miscellaneous,	121 61	
Rent,	325 00	
Interest,	120 99	
Wood,	40 90	
	<hr/>	\$4,370 67
Less receipts,		\$2,515 54
Making total net expense of		<hr/> \$1,854 13
and expenses to each town as follows:		
Holden,	\$337 57	
Hubbardston,	339 28	
Oakham,	132 19	
Paxton,	256 54	
Princeton,	154 80	
Rutland,	190 45	
Wesminster,	443 30	
	<hr/>	\$1,854 13

The cost per week for each inmate being \$1.71.4.

Royalston has withdrawn from the Association. Phillipston and Templeton furnished no inmates during the year.

The records of the Association from its formation to the beginning of the past year are as follows:

	Average Annual Weekly Board.	Weekly Average Inmates.	Cost Per Week.
First ten years,	883 $\frac{3}{7}$	17	\$2.22
Year ending Jan'y 31, 1901,	888	17 $\frac{1}{3}$	2.00
Year ending Jan'y 31, 1902,	985 $\frac{2}{7}$	18 $\frac{1}{3}$	1.98
Year ending Jan'y 31, 1903,	1085 $\frac{3}{7}$	20 $\frac{1}{3}$	1.99

The closing year has been the banner one so far as the cost of maintainence is concerned. The weekly expense per capita being upward of 25 cents less than ever before, and this we believe, without lowering the standard established for the humane support of the poor.

A valuable young horse has replaced one of advanced years, and the loss of a good cow immediately after calving, necessitated the purchase of another to fill her place, and a number of other changes in the herd have been made to its improvement.

The law coming into effect January 1, by which the Commonwealth assumes the care of all pauper insane, so reduce the number of inmates that the addition of another town might be considered.

The twelfth bountiful Christmas dinner was provided by the Hon. F. S. Coolidge, of Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Potter will continue as warden and matron for another year.

Respectfully submitted,

HOBART RAYMOND, Westminster, President.

JESSE ALLEN, Oakham, Secretary.

G. S. GRAHAM, Holden, Treasurer.

R. G. MAREAN, Hubbardston.

H. H. PIKE, Paxton.

D. W. BAKER, Phillipston.

T. E. PRATT, Princeton.

W. H. MAYNARD, Rutland.

C. H. LEATHE, Templeton.

Board of Management

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1904.

We have drawn upon the Town Treasurer the past year four hundred and thirty-three orders, amounting to \$14,340.01, as follows:

The appropriations of the Town:

State tax,	\$500 00
County tax,	690 00
Town grant,	13,525 00
Overlayings,	163 36
Special school appropriation,	300 00
Special water appropriation,	300 00
Library appropriation, (dog fund)	150 00
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	\$15,628 36

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer, water loan,	\$21,500 00
water loan,	3,000 00
building loan,	14,300 00
People's Savings Bank,	5,000 00
ten years loan,	15,000 00
temporary loan,	15,000 00
Mabel and Ethel Heald, notes,	900 00
City of Salem, water loan,	1,500 00
Jose Parker & Co., water loan,	300 00
Jose Parker & Co., school loan.	300 00
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	\$76,800 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from Sinking fund,	\$4,940 83
State aid,	548 71
State on acct. of aid to G. P. Browning,	18 75
One-half cattle inspection,	55 75
Water rents,	752 10
Service connections,	110 39
L. M. Hanff, uncollected taxes,	12,189 56
D. S. Thurston, cash and uncol. taxes,	7,754 75
Value of water system,	31,300 00
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	\$57,670 84
Leaving a balance against the Town of	\$19,129 16

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

L. M. Hanff,	\$47 40	\$47 40
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SELECTMEN.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$39 00	
T. S. Heald,	39 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	39 00	
	<hr/>	\$117 00

ASSESSORS.

W. C. Temple,	\$47 50	
G. S. Putnam,	48 00	
C. J. Campbell,	45 00	
	<hr/>	\$140 50

OVERSEERS.

W. H. Maynard,	\$40 00	
D. F. Smith,		
J. E. Ware,		
H. A. Kennan, 1902,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$42 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$10 00	
W. T. Brown, 1902-03,	20 00	
W. A. Wheeler, 1902-03,	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$50 00

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

D. S. Thurston,	\$150 00	\$150 00
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AUDITOR.

A. F. Brown,	\$20 00	\$20 00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$25 00	\$25 00
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REGISTRARS.

L. M. Hanff,	\$9 00	
C. R. Bartlett,	8 00	
T. S. Heald,	8 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$33 00

BALLOT CLERKS.

D. A. Smith,	\$2.00	
W. R. Upham, 1902,	2 00	
W. R. Upham,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$6 00

CATTLE INSPECTOR.

G. S. Putnam,	\$111 50	\$111 50
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INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

G. S. Putnam,	\$65 25	\$65 25
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CONSTABLES.

J. W. Moulton,	\$14 50	\$14 50
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SEXTONS.

R. C. Prescott,	\$30 25	
E. Wellington,	2 00	
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		\$854 40

 SNOW.

Order No.	2	Mathew Delahanty,	\$11 00
	9	W. R. Upham,	85
	11	George M. Davis,	5 16
	12	Lakeville Woolen C.,	18 00
	13	E. W. Bliss,	83
	14	L. H. Stearns,	8 32
	15	Lewis Lovely,	1 33
	16	Morice Lyons,	1 33
	17	Joseph Shaw,	3 00
	18	Fred Lovely,	1 33
	19	Frank Lovely,	1 33

Order No.	20	James H. Wesson,	\$ 83
	21	M. Labell,	1 00
	22	W. H. Prescott,	2 08
	23	Otis Chiverney,	1 17
	24	Newton I. Sargent,	8 64
	33	Felix Bosquet,	4 33
	36	William H. Hammond,	3 33
	37	Elie Beford,	6 33
	39	John E. O'Leary,	14 66
	40	Daniel O'Leary,	6 00
	41	James Hammond,	8 34
	43	Michael Gleason,	1 00
	84	John J. Welsh,	11 23
	128	Robert Ploetz,	6 38
	130	P. J. Myers,	2 83
	135	Daniel McCarthy, 1902,	19 00
	139	Michael Leary,	18 00
	145	B. W. Potter,	10 36
	151	E. H. Crosby,	3 81
	223	D. O'Herron,	32 50
	309	Charles Cody,	8 50
	323	Lewis C. Merriam,	9 00
	331	George Mullen,	3 58
	332	Edward Ferry,	3 75
	333	Winslow Boylon,	3 67
	334	George Porter,	3 67
	335	Robert Ploetz,	15 47
	336	F. D. Forbush,	5 17
	347	Daniel McCarthy,	20 50
	348	George Strong,	7 50
	361	William Welsh, 1902,	4 66
	361	William Welsh,	7 25
	367	George M. Taylor,	15 08
	368	Joseph Strong,	1 50
	369	Eugene Burke,	1 50
	385	George Mullin,	2 63
	388	W. H. Hammond,	12 00
	389	George Hammond,	6 50
	390	Michael McGann,	3 33
	394	F. D. Forbush,	10 83

Order No.	395	Frank Forward,	\$37 52
	396	C. J. Campbell,	6 16
	397	W. R. Upham,	1 95
	398	John Haines,	13 67
	404	H. E. Wheeler,	2 66
	405	W. H. Maynard,	18 16
	406	D. A. Smith,	3 16
	407	Andrew Charter,	3 35
	408	Chester Charter,	3 34
	409	Clifton Davis,	4 33
	410	H. E. Smith,	7 83
	411	Della Laton,	4 00
	413	G. L. Rich,	3 00
	414	William J. Hunt,	9 33
	415	E. Wellington,	8 07
	416	E. A. Graton,	8 16
	417	Lewis C. Merriam,	3 50
	418	James Scott,	1 83
	419	John F. Graton,	2 16
	420	Michael O'Leary,	40 50
	421	C. T. Oliver,	3 58
	422	Elie Beford,	15 17
	423	Felix Bosquet,	14 16
	424	Edward Ferron,	4 08
	426	W. A. Streeter,	24 00
	427	W. G. Wales,	8 67
	428	L. H. Stearns,	1 42
	429	Michael Cullen,	183
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			\$615 98

INCIDENTALS.

Order No.	3	C. F. Lawrence & Co., ballots,	\$17 50
	5	Central District Court, Amber case,	26 77
	8	P. S. O'Connor, sharpening tools, 1896,	10 45
		“ “ 1897,	9 95
		“ “ 1898,	4 50
		“ “ 1899,	7 00
		“ “ 1900,	6 00
		“ “ 1901,	5 80
		“ “ 1902,	6 60

Order No.	12	Lakeville Woolen Co., inspecting roads,	\$2 50
	31	Worcester Insane Hospital, G. P. Browning,	41 79
	89	American Express Co.,	70
	100	E. H. Tripp, ptg. town and school reports,	50 00
	110	Ross Bros., hoës,	2 10
	140	Herbert C. Heald, maintaining watering tub,	3 75
	154	Worcester Insane Hospital, G. P. Browning,	42 25
	156	W. J. Thompson, survey of proposed road near Demond pond,	25 00
	176	E. H. Tripp, printing tax receipts,	5 00
	177	Central District Court,	9 28
	181	G. E. Allen, scraper repairs,	13 00
	184	Worcester County Abstract Co., examining deeds and titles,	10 80
	187	W. A. Wheeler, maintaining water tub,	5 00
	191	Thayer & Rugg, court charges,	15 00
	199	L. M. Hanff, court expenses,	21 49
	209	E. H. Tripp, printing valuation reports,	35 00
	211	American Express Co ,	1 15
	222	L. F. Partridge, sharpening lawn mower,	2 00
	245	Worcetsr Insane Hospital, G. P. Browning,	42 71
	246	G. A. Williams, highway tools,	7 95
	295	Worcester Insane Hospital, G. P. Browning,	42 71
	304	Paul Wheeler, highway tools,	1 27
	357	M. Loughman, repairing plow point,	1 25
	363	Thayer & Cobb, council,	6 00
	364	Thompson & Wheeler, survey and plans of pipe lines,	94 53
	143	Sanford-Putnam Co., stationery,	5 80
		P. S. O'Connor, sharpening tools,	10 55
		D. S. Thrnston, lanterns, nails, etc.,	6 83
		D. S. Thurston, negotiating loans, postage,	8 00
		D. H. Rice and L. M. Hanff, court expenses,	22 52
		E. W. Merrick and A. W. Macomber, court expenses,	34 80
		L. M. Hanff, postage and express,	6 25
		L. M. Hanff, administering oaths,	4 25
		L. M. Hanff, executing deed and expense to Worcester, sale of New Boston school house,	3 50

L. M. Hanff, painting railing on Pound Hill, two coats,	\$25 38
T. S. Heald, perambulating town lines,	7 50
C. R. Bartlett, perambulating town lines, with team	10 50
C. R. Bartlett, telephone and postage,	2 50
C. R. Bartlett, team and man for Thompson & Wheeler, 1902,	2 00
C. R. Bartlett, attending hearings of State Highway Commission,	6 50
H. E. Wheeler, attending hearings of State Highway Commission,	9 50
H. E. Wheeler, to resetting town bound between Holden and Rutland,	1 00
H. E. Wheeler, paper, bill holders, postage,	1 50
H. E. Wheeler, perambulating town lines,	7 50
One-third janitor service, public building,	149 62
One-third fuel public building,	258 12
One-third sundry articles bought for public building,	34 80
One-third oil for public building,	11 14
One-third cost of double windows for public building,	6 67
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SPECIAL WORK ON HIGHWAY.

APPROPRIATION.

Allotment by State Highway Commission,	\$656 00
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AMOUNT EXPENDED.

Paid F. D. Forbush, labor,	697 70
Joel Stone, oil and lighting,	29 00
E. Viner, gravel,	2 80
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	\$729 50
Overdrawn,	<hr/> \$73 50

SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION WORK, WATER DEPARTMENT.

APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation,	\$300 00
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AMOUNT EXPENDED.

For trenching and piping,	\$149 77	
pipe and fittings,	127 33	
		\$277 10
Balance unexpended,		\$22 90

SPECIAL WORK ON POUND HILL.

APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation,	\$100 00	
L. A. Taylor's reimbursment,	30 00	
		\$130 00

AMOUNT EXPENDED.

Expended,	\$118 73
Balance unexpended,	\$11 27

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

APPROPRIATION.

Dog fund,	\$150 00
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AMOUNT EXPENDED.

Librarian's salary,	\$78 00	
Books and supplies,	54 12	
		\$132 12
Balance unexpended,		17 88

MEMORIAL DAY.

APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation,	\$25 00
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AMOUNT EXPENDED.

Expended,	\$25 00
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RECAPITULATION.

Town Officers,	\$854 40
Schools,	5,696 47
Snow Bills,	615 98
State Aid,	548 71
Overseers' Orders,	764 93
Highways,	1,544 36
Special Work on Highways, (State)	729 50
Water Department,	1,795 91
Special Water Construction,	277 10
Speeial Work on Pound Hill,	118 73
Incidentals,	1,213 53
Bridges,	23 27
Memorial Day,	25 00
Free Public Library,	132 12
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	\$14,340 01

 LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

William A. Russell,	L. A. Baker,
William J. Hunt,	P. S. O'Connor.
Thomas O'Herron,	Charles H. Upham,
Weston R. Upham,	A. B. Fisher,
Herman D. Bray,	Joseph E. Ware,
Henry B. Davis,	E. Wellington,
James Hammond,	William H. Maynard,
A. Clifford Wheeler,	George F. Handy.

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED.

One near S. B. Bray's
 One near E. C. Dudley's
 One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads
 One at West Rutland near Post Office
 One near Charles Pierces'
 Two near Patrick Delehanty's
 Two near Henry Kennan's
 One near Miles Holden's
 One near Gen. Putnam Memorial
 One near Muschopauge House
 One near Center Post Office
 One near Pound Hill
 One near Daniel Nihin's
 One near Walter Bartlett's
 One near M. Myron Smith's
 One near Charles R. Bartlett's
 One near W. J. D'Ewart's
 One near Greenleaf Corner
 One near Benjamin Allen's place
 One near Addison Childs'
 One at New Boston Corner
 One near W. J. Broadmerkle's
 One near Levi H. Stearns'
 One near Sargent's Corner
 One near Upham's Corner
 One near D. R. Wheeler's
 One near No. 1 School House

It has been the aim of the Town officers to keep the amount expended within the appropriations, and this is true of nearly all of the departments.

Orders have been drawn for schools which have considerably exceeded the appropriation, which will be explained in the school report.

Also, the incidental department is in excess. About \$165 has paid to Worcester Insane Hospital for G. P. Browning, which will be reimbursed to the town.

The appropriations last year amounted to \$14,125.00. Total amount of orders drawn \$14,340.01. Of this sum \$567.46 due from State aid, one-half cattle inspection \$55.75, and the amount of school fund received from the State \$881.89, will make the amount actually expended about \$1,300.00 less than the appropriations.

There is a decrease of \$1,300.00 in the liabilities of the town over last year, and a gain in the resources of \$5,556.23, which very materially lessens the indebtedness of the town.

The Selectmen would recommend that the Town raise and appropriate for the coming year:

For schools,	\$4,000 00
Highways,	1,600 00
State aid,	500 00
Poor,	500 00
Town officers,	1,000 00
Incidentals,	1,000 00
Payment of debts,	2,000 00
Snow,	500 00
Hydrant service,	400 00
Memorial day,	25 00
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	\$11,525 00

This sum, in our opinion, would be sufficient for the several departments, and pay something on the town debt.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. R. BARTLETT, } *Selectmen*
T. SIBLEY HEALD, } *of*
H. E. WHEELER, } *Rutland*

Rutland, March 1, 1904.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births. Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1903:

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE, 1903
Winthrop Erland,	Herman D. & Laura E. (Henderson) Bray,	Jan. 17
Katherine Elizabeth,	Granville F. & Mary A. (Lunden) Lombard,	Feb. 18
Helen Frances,	Eugene E. & Belle A. (Baker) Hunt,	March 14
Bertha,	Charley & Clara (Blake) Blake,	March 26
Irving,	Frederick H. & Agnes E. (Martin) Lovelly,	March 30
Irving Franklin,	William C. & Olive M. (Barnes) Temple,	April 1
Leroy Joseph,	Adelard & Herminie (Bousquit) Letendre,	April 15
Ruth Marion,	Charles E. & Minnie J. (Herron) Bigelow,	May 26
Catherine Marion,	Ellsworth E. & Sadie (Hickey) Preston,	June 7
Lloyd Bolton,	Charles E. & Mary A. (Demond) Viner,	June 8
Florence Emma,	Arthur C. & Mercie E. (Upham) Wheeler,	June 18
Francis Anthony,	Patrick A. & Margaret M. (Murphy) Scott,	July 5
Ruth Elizabeth,	George M. & Julia (Blanchard) Davis,	Sept. 5
Helen Elizabeth,	James C. & Florence (Davis) Copeland,	Sept. 10
Irene Nora,	Felix & Elmina (Bruette) Bosquet,	Nov. 1
Raymond Peter,	Peter & Eva E. (Parker) Dame,	Dec. 14
Dennis James,	Thomas & Nancy (Gilman) Connors,	Dec. 25

MARRIAGES.

DATE, 1903.	NAMES.	PLACE OF MARRIAGE.	RESIDENCE
June 3,	Hobart D. Smith,	Leominster	Rutland
	Mary D. Rockwood,		Leominster
June 10,	John C. Dolan,	Cambridge,	Rutland
	Agnes Dollard,		Cambridge
July 1,	George H. Lillie,	Rutland,	Gardner
	Flora M. Sanderson,		Rutland
July 25,	Harvey Thomas,	Paxton,	Rutland
	Lucy E. Fish,		Rutland
August 15,	John H. Locke,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Cora B. Watson,		Rutland
August 27,	George P. Campbell,	Worcester,	Rutland
	Hattie Belle Locke,		Worcester
October 13,	John Scott,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Ola Pearl Goodwin,		Rutland
December 7,	Irving L. W. Hale,	Providence, R. I.,	Rutland
	Mabel A. Mason,		Rutland
December 10,	Fayette A. King,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Bessie L. Pierce,		Rutland

DEATHS.

DATE. 1903.	NAMES.	AGE.			RESIDENCE
		y.	m.	d.	
January 16,	Edwin H. Baker,	58	4	12	Rutland, Mass.
January 21,	Lizzie E. Strong,	38	3	26	Rutland, Mass.
January 21,	Affa E. Anable,	1	9	6	Rutland, Mass.
January 29,	Horace King,	96	6	13	Rutland, Mass.
Jan'y 28, prob.	Female Infant, (found dead)			14	Unknown.
January 30,	Lydia M. Strong,	18		28	Rutland, Mass.
January 30,	James E. Jordan,	29	5	23	Rutland, Mass.
February 26,	Lydia M. Butler,	56	5	25	Rutland, Mass.
March 2,	Arthur W. Johnson,	27	6	11	Boston, Mass.
March 10,	John W. Rockett,	58	9	11	Rutland, Mass.
March 11,	Ellen C. Muldoon,	41	2	26	Rutland, Mass.
March 19,	Mary T. Davis,	67	8	15	Rutland, Mass.
March 23,	Orville Hodgkins,	49	5	14	Rutland, Mass.
April 12,	Mildred M. Preston,	1	5	3	Rutland, Mass.
May 23,	John H. Osborne,	31	10	19	Quincy, Mass.
June 1,	Sarah T. Bigelow,	86	8	6	Rutland, Mass.
June 11,	Sylvanus B. Mance,	24	2	20	St. Augustine, Fla.
June 12,	Catherine E. Myers,	38	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
July 9,	Clara E. Fay,	30	—	—	Boston, Mass.
July 14.	Phebe L. Atwood,	43	8	28	Boston, Mass.
August 2,	Paul S. Allen;	—	10	14	Millbury, Mass.
August 13,	Joseph Miles,	82	6	19	Rutland, Mass.
August 18,	Richard Cody,	80	5	6	Rutland, Mass.
August 26,	Aaron G. Nelson,	37	4	—	Springfield, Mass.
September 11,	Capt. George W. J. Moulton,	62	7	18	Dartmouth, Mass.
September 17,	Helen M. Lane,	77	2	25	Rutland, Mass.
September 19,	Mabelle C. Crenner,	22	8	22	Rutland, Mass.
October 17,	Kate R. Lewis,	42	3	11	Boston, Mass.
October 23,	Emily R. Wells,	80	4	27	Rutland, Mass.
October 24,	George E. Cox,	33	9	1	Hyde Park, Mass.
October 25,	Grace M. Watson,	17	2	17	Rutland, Mass.
October 25,	James Watwith,	46	—	—	Rutland, Mass.
November 7,	John F. Neville,	26	3	16	Boston, Mass.
November 18,	Thomas R. Dand,	25	6	11	Worcester, Mass.
December 14,	Eunice A. Peirce,	70	10	29	Rutland, Mass.
December 18,	William J. Doran,	25	—	—	Woonsocket, R. I.
December 30,	Joseph H. Kelly,	23	—	—	Boston, Mass.
December 31,	Edward F. Preston,	64	—	—	Rutland, Mass.

Number of Dogs licensed for the year 1903:

Cash on hand for 3 Male Dog licenses March 31, 1903,	\$6 00
Received for 79 Males, @ \$2.00,	158 00
Received for 5 Females, @ \$5.00,	25 00
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	\$189 00
Less 87 fees, @ \$0.20.	17 40
Paid to County Treasurer,	<hr/>
	\$171 60

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANNF, *Town Clerk*

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Daniel S. Thurston, Collector and Treasurer, in account with
the Town of Rutland.

RECEIVED.

1903

March	1	L. M. Hanff,	\$737 80
	1	Mass. State Sanitorium,	166 67
	6	People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
April	13	City of Malden,	112 00
May	2	People's Savings Bank,	2,000 00
	13	L. M. Hanff,	292 50
	13	People's Savings Bank,	8,500 00
	14	People's Savings Bank,	2,000 00
	19	L. M. Hanff,	902 00
	21	Peoples' Savings Bank,	1,000 00
June	3	People's Savings Bank,	1,500 00
	5	L. M. Hanff,	225 00
	5	State Treasurer, (Lyman School)	81 50
	5	One butcher's license,	1 00
	18	People's Savings Bank,	1,000 00
July	1	People's Savings Bank, series of ten notes,	15,000 00
	6	L. M. Hanff,	300 00
	9	One pool license,	10 00
	13	L. M. Hanff,	100 00
	13	City of Malden,	89 15
	29	L. M. Hanff,	50 00
	31	People's Savings Bank,	1,500 00
	31	People's Savings Bank,	2,000 00
Aug.	1	L. M. Hanff,	100 00
	13	L. M. Hanff,	75 00
	15	People's Savings Bank,	2,000 00
	21	People's Savings Bank.	1,000 00
	30	People's Savings Bank,	3,000 00

RECIEVED.

Sept.	3	People's Savings Bank,	\$1,560 00
	4	E. F. Browning, guardian,	72 00
	4	Town of Millbury, burial of child,	3 00
	4	A. B. Pratt, for grass,	1 50
	4	State Board of Charities,	28 00
	4	State Treasurer, for inspecting animals,	55 75
	6	People's Savings Bank,	1,000 00
	10	L. M. Hanff,	175 00
	13	City of Boston, H. A. Page family,	44 39
	14	County Treasurer, dog fund,	159 93
	18	Massachusetts State Sanitarium, water rent,	500 00
	29	Lucian Taylor, work on Pound hill,	30 00
	30	Insurance companies,	20 83
	30	People's Savings Bank,	1,000 00
Oct.	8	State Treas., for supt. of schools,	250 00
	14	City of Malden,	85 30
	29	Mass. State Sanitarium, water rent,	83 33
Nov.	3	Insurance company,	4 17
	3	L. M. Hanff,	150 00
	30	People's Savings Bank,	1,000 00
	30	People's Savings Bank,	1,500 00
Dec.	7	L. M. Hanff,	50 00
	10	State Treasuraer, Corporation tax,	103 76
	10	State Treasurer, National Bank tax,	5 89
	10	State Treasurer, State aid,	391 75
	15	People's Savings Bank,	2,000 00
	18	People's Savings Bank,	2,000 00
	18	Mass. School fund,	772 39
	17	Mass. State Sanitarium, water rent,	250 00
1904			
Jan.	3	People's Savings Bank,	1,500 00
	6	People's Savings Bank,	1,000 00
	12	J. A. Carter, for school house and lot at New Boston,	35 00
	12	City of Malden,	95 15
	21	C. R. Bartlett, supt. water dept.,	100 00
	25	L. M. Hanff,	1,000 00
	31	People's Savings Bank,	2,500 00

RECEIVED.

Feb.	12	State Treasurer, highway dept.,	\$656 00
	17	E. F. Browning, guardian,	36 00
	17	W. H. Maynard, board of Preston Warren,	20 28
	17	Don Valley, aid rendered Joseph and Margaret Valley,	5 88
	29	Mass. State Sanitarium, water rent,	83 33
	29	People's Savings Bank,	3,000 00
March	1	Jose, Parker & Co., five year water loan,	300 00
	1	Jose. Parker & Co., school loan,	300 00
	1	L. M. Hanff, interest on taxes,	220 94
	1	C. R. Bartlett, Supt water department,	634 26
	1	C. R. Bartlett. Supt. water department,	99 92
	1	Janitor public building,	252 50
	1	Interest on taxes,	36 94
	1	State aid on account of G. P. Browning,	6 71
	1	L. M. Hanff, one extra poll tax,	2 00
	1	Taxes for 1903,	14,878 36
	1	One extra poll tax,	2 00
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			\$84,744 88

PAID.

1903.

March	3	People's Savings Bank, interest,	\$30 00
	6	People's Savings Bank, interest.	20 00
	6	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	27	State Treasurer, interest,	48 75
April	2	People's Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
	4	People's Savings Bank, interest,	30 00
	7	People's Savings Bank, interest,	39 38
	16	People's Savings Bank, interest,	10 00
	18	State Treasurer, interest,	81 25
	18	State Treasurer, note,	500 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, interest,	12 00
May	2	State Treasurer, note,	500 00
	2	State Treasurer, interest,	8 75
	2	State Treasurer, interest,	228 41
	2	People's Savings Bank, interest,	42 00
	2	Mabel and Ethel Heald, interest,	20 00
	13	People's Savings Bank, interest,	24 68

PAID.

May	14	People's Savings Bank, interest,	\$50 00
	15	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,800 00
	15	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00
	15	People's Savings Bank, note,	3,500 00
	15	People's Savings Bank, note.	1,200 00
	15	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
June	3	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
	3	People's Savings Bank, interest,	15 00
	10	City of Salem, F. A. Newell, treasurer, interest,	8 75
July	10	Blodgett, Merritt & Co., interest,	26 25
	6	State Treasurer, note,	5,000 00
	6	State Treasurer, interest.	11 67
	6	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
	20	People's Savings Bank, note,	8,500 00
	20	People's Savings Bank, interest,	65 49
	20	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
Aug.	31	People's Savings Bank, interest,	42 50
	31	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00
	1	State Treasurer, interest,	412 50
	1	State Treasurer, note,	500 00
	17	State Treasurer, interest,	34 12
	17	State Treasurer, note,	300 00
	17	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
Sept.	17	People's Savings Bank, interest,	15 00
	21	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	21	People's Savings Bank, interest,	10 63
	30	People's Savings Bank, interest,	60 00
	3	People's Savings Bank, note,	3,000 00
	3	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
	3	People's Savings Bank, interest,	15 00
Oct.	5	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	5	People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
	25	State Treasurer, interest,	48 75
	30	Half county tax,	345 00
	2	People's Savings Bank. interest,	100 00
Nov.	18	State Treasurer, interest,	73 12
	1	State Treasurer, interest,	218 75
	1	E. H. Gay & Co., interest,	8 75
	1	E. H. Gay & Co., note,	500 00

PAID.

Nov.	30	People's Savings Bank, note,	\$1,500 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, interest,	67 50
	30	People's Savings Bank, interest,	7 50
Dec.	1	People's Savings Bank, interest,	22 50
	8	Hersom Bros., interest,	26 25
	8	Balance of county tax,	345 00
	8	E. M. Heald, interest to March 2,	10 00
	8	E. M. Heald, principal on note,	50 00
	15	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00
	15	People's Savings Bank, interest,	30 00
	18	People's Savings Bank, interest,	21 25
	18	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	21	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	21	People's Savings Bank, interest,	22 50
1904.			
Jan.	3	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
	3	People's Savings Bank, interest,	300 00
	5	People's Savings Bank, interest,	22 50
	6	People's Savings Bank, interest,	15 00
	6	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, interest,	18 75
	30	People's Savings Bank, interest,	20 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, interest,	45 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,500 00
Feb.	1	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	12	State Treasurer, interest,	403 12
	12	State Treasurer, interest,	29 25
	12	State Tax,	500 00
	15	E. M. Heald, principal on note,	50 00
	29	People's Savings Bank, note,	3,000 00
	29	People's Savings Bank, interest,	67 50
March	1	433 Selectmen's orders,	14,340 01
	1	Uncollected taxes,	6,726 67
	1	Cash to balance,	1,028 08
			<hr/> \$84,744 88

STATEMENT OF FUND TO PAY NOTE OF \$5,000.00
HELD BY PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK.
DUE APRIL 2, 1904.

1903.

March 1	On deposit, People's Savings Bank,	\$1,223 38	
	Dividend, February, 1904,	48 92	
		<hr/>	\$1,272 30
March 1	Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$1,335 99	
	Dividend, January, 1904,	53 42	
		<hr/>	\$1,389 41
March 1	Worcester County Institution for Savings,	\$1,136 40	
	Dividend, January, 1904,	45 44	
		<hr/>	\$1,181 84
March 1	Mechanics Savings Bank,	\$515 05	
	Dividend, January, 1904,	20 60	
		<hr/>	\$535 65
March 1	Bay State Savings Bank,	\$539 85	
	Dividend, March, 1904,	21 78	
		<hr/>	\$561 63
March 1	Total amount of fund,		\$4,940 83

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

1903.

March 1	Balance in Five Cents Savings Bank,	\$100 00	
	Dividend,	4 02	
		<hr/>	\$104 02
March 1	Paid W. C. Temple,		\$4 02

1904.

March 1	Balance in Bank,	\$100 00
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Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL S. THURSTON,

Collector and Treasurer

Rutland, March 1, 1904.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Sixteen hundred dollars (\$1,600.00) being appropriated by the town for the repairs of roads and bridges. I give below the amount expended each month.

In the month of April,	\$292 97
May,	347 79
June,	356 84
July,	69 81
August,	196 43
September,	215 61
December,	64 91
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	\$1,544 36
Railing and plank for West Rutland bridge,	\$23 27

The list of tools belonging to the town are as follows:

- 2 road machines
- 1 hand scraper
- 9 round pointed shovels
- 1 square pointed shovel
- 3 stone rakes
- 1 bog hoe
- 6 picks
- 2 hammers
- 2 iron bars
- 2 stone forks
- 2 bush scythes
- 1 plow
- 3 hoes

FRANK D. FORBUSH,
Highway Surveyor.

REPORT OF THE SUPT. of the WATER DEPARTMENT.

The water system has taken on six new patrons during the past year, which will increase the water rent about \$60.00 the coming year. The increase of last year over the year before was about \$50.00. At this ratio it will not be many years before it will have doubled its rentals, outside of the State sanitarium.

The past year has been very expensive in cost of fuel. The first half of the year coal was nearly double the former price, and the last part of the year a larger amount of coal was used. on account of the extreme cold winter, as many patrons had to keep the water constantly running to avoid freezing. A waste that was pardonable only under the circumstances. The Water Commissioners in arranging with Mr. Lawrence for his services for the past year, raised his salary from \$2.00 to \$2.50 per day, and the extra time in pumping during the winter has added considerably more to the cost of engineers services for the year.

The Town voted only \$300 for the Hydrant service; \$150 less than the previous year. This, together with the necessary increased cost of fuel and pumping has made the water system hardly self supporting for the past year.

Notwithstanding the intensely cold winter none of the mains have frozen, and only a few service pipes have been seriously affected.

RECORD OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, FOR THE YEAR 1903.

Month.	Total Consumption in Gallons
January,	2,604,771
February,	2,687,126
March,	2,719,068
April,	2,277,704
May,	2,467,944
June,	2,367,118
July,	2,600,065
August,	2,702,597
September,	2,865,954
October,	2,713,009
November,	2,348,294
December,	2,263,586
Total gallons,	30,617,236

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND.

SUPPLIES.

60 feet 2-inch galvanized pipe	
125 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch galvanized pipe	
6 faucets	
4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks	
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch corporation cock	
6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch ells	
3 soldering nipples	
13 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tees	
6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions	
1 pound solder	
4 service boxes	
Approximate value, \$25.00	

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3 00
3 hammers,	2 50
1 spade,	75
1 grub axe,	1 00
3 drills,	1 75
4 lanterns,	2 00
1 broom,	50

 \$11 50

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2-inch die plate,	6 00
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 80
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 50
2 W. I. wrenches, for sidewalk shut-off,	3 83
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 26
1 1-inch tap,	94
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch and $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch,	4 00
1 2-inch drill for ratchet,	90
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 20
1 1-inch drill,	53
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamers,	2 26
1 1-inch reamer,	94
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,	63
1 2-inch Stanwood cutter,	98

1 expander,	\$5 00
1 gate wrench,	2 50
1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate, with $2\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	4 12
1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,	3 40
1 18-inch Stillson wrench,	1 60
1 24-inch Stillson wrench,	2 40
2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1 20
1 15-inch Coe's block wrench,	1 00
1 wall vice,	8 10
1 wall hinge vice,	3 00
2 packer's sleeve ratchets,	4 05
1 iron crow,	9 60
1 2-inch Walworth cutter,	1 46

\$76 20

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Paid Interest on water loan,	\$947 50
E. E. Lawrence, engineer's services,	501 50
J. Albert Walker, coal,	539 70
C. H. Sprague & Son, coal,	194 88
L. M. Hanff, coal,	53 60
E. E. Lawrence, drawing coal,	16 00
A. F. Brown, drawing coal,	8 00
C. R. Bartlett, drawing coal,	32 10
W. H. Hammond, drawing coal,	12 00
James Hammond, drawing coal,	4 00
L. H. Stearns, drawing coal,	24 88
E. E. Lawrence, wood,	16 12
W. A. Wheeler, wood,	6 51
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on coal,	167 22
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe and fittings,	96 72
Washburn & Garfield Co., pipe and fittings,	10 15
Washburn & Garfield Co., packing, etc.,	16 34
Joseph De Shazo, inspecting boiler,	2 00
Revere Rubber Co., rubber valves,	32 87
E. E. Lawrence, trenching,	4 25
F. J. Tucker, trenching,	3 26

Paid S. I. Dean, trenching,	\$1 50
E. E. Lawrence, piping,	19 50
William Allen & Sons, plate for boiler and repairs,	7 48
Georgl S. Dixon, oil,	6 10
George H. Clark & Co., oil,	2 50
Knowles Steam Pump Works, repairs on boiler,	2 86
F. J. Tucker, shoveling back coal at pump- ing station,	2 20
E. E. Lawrence, repairing boiler,	2 50
John Dixon, digging up and thawing out water pipe,	7 50
Duncan & Goodell Co., solder, etc.,	1 10
Mass. State Sanitorium, oil,	55
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	\$2,743 39

MAINTAINANCE OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

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Paid Interest on water loan to Jan. 1, 1904,	\$947 50
Engineer's services,	501 50
Coal,	788 18
Freight on coal,	167 22
Wood,	22 63
Drawing coal,	96 98
William Allen & Sons, repairs on boiler,	7 48
Knowles Steam Pump Co., repairs on boiler,	2 86
Revere Rubber Co., valves,	32 87
Washburn & Garfield Co., packing, etc.,	16 34
F. J. Tucker, shoveling back coal at pump- ing station,	2 20
F. J. Tucker, oil,	9 15
Boiler inspection,	2 00
John Dixon, thawing out water pipe,	7 50
E. E. Lawrence, repairing boiler,	2 50
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	\$2,606 91

Dr.

Received from State Sanitarium, water rent,	\$1,000 00	
Received and due from patrons for water rent, one year, to January 1, 1904,	772 05	
Received and due from patrons for service con- nections, one year, to January 1, 1904,	50 20	
Due from Town, on account of coal furnished,	50 00	
Due from Town, on account of hydrant service,	300 00	
Due from Town, on account of supplying Public Building with water,	20 00	
Due from Town, on account of supplying two watering places,	10 00	
Due from Town, on account of fountain in cemetery,	10 00	
Value of coal on hand,	125 00	
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		\$2,337 25
Leaving a balance against the water department of		<hr/> \$269 66

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,

Superintendent

Rutland, March 1, 1904.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, and Superintendent of Water Department, for the year ending March 1, 1904, and that I find the same correct.

A. F. BROWN,

Auditor

Rutland, March 1, 1904.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Your trustees herewith submit their annual report.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand March 1, 1903,	\$ 17 48	
Appropriation,	150 00	
Fines and cards,	4 38	
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		\$171 86

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Librarian's salary,	\$78 00	
New books,	51 62	
Magazines,	5 75	
Express and postage,	1 05	
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		\$136 42
Leaving a balance of		<hr/> \$35 44

Of this balance, \$17.56 is in the hands of the trustees, and \$17.88 is due from the town.

The number of books taken out was 4,082.

The following named persons have given books:

Mrs. George Glazier, 6 vols.	Gordon Glazier, 1,
Mr. Henry Lester, 1	Mrs. Henry Rice, 1,
From Lancaster, 1,	Mrs. M. C. Miles, 1,
Mrs. Munroe, St. Nicholas Magazine.	

Forty volumes have been added by grant from the State.

Fifty volumes have been added by purchase.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, MRS. SARAH MUNROE, MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,	}	Library Trustees
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Inventory of the Fire Apparatus belonging to the Rutland Fire Brigade:

- 1 two-horse reel, with 1,000 feet of hose
- 4 nozzels and pipes
- 2 hydrant wrenches
- 2 monkey wrenches
- 2 hose shackles *
- 4 axes
- 1 hand pump, with 50 feet of effective hose, also 50 feet of defective hose
- 1 suction hose, 8 feet long
- 1 nozzle
- 1 spannier
- 1 iron bar
- 1 ladder hook
- 100 feet $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rope
- 1 low express wagon (single)
- 1 ladder truck, with 2 extension ladders and 4 roof ladders
- 1 30-foot ladder
- 22 fire pails, in good order
- 1 traverse runner sled, for ladders
- 24 arm chairs
- 10 bracket lamps
- 1 hand lamp
- 1 stove
- 5 cuspidors
- 1 dust pan and brush
- 2 hand lanterns
- 2 horse blankets
- 1 bell, for tower
- Ladder and pails at North and West Rutland

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending March 1, 1904

FELLOW CITIZENS:

We herewith respectfully submit our annual report:

STATISTICS.

Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, as per School Census, September 1, 1903,	254
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1903,	276
Average membership for the year,	235.8
Average attendance for the year,	201.9
Per cent. of attendance,	85.6

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Town appropriations,	\$4,300 00	
State, toward Superintendent's salary,	250 00	
County, part of dog fund,	25 03	
Lyman School, tuition,	81 50	
State Board of Charity, tuition	28 00	
		\$384 53
Transferred from State School Fund.		772 39
Amount overdrawn,		239 55
		<hr/> \$5,696 47

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,624 50
Transportation,	1,407 85
Books and supplies,	212 86
Supervision,	396 62
Printing,	17 25
Repairs,	50 43
Janitors and supplies,	321 86
Fuel,	535 51
Sundries,	129 58
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	\$5,696 47

BILLS APPROVED.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Geo. H. Ellis	\$ 20 00
Edith I. Claffin,	129 50
Sfa M. Ward,	308 00
Elsie P. Newcomb,	336 00
Lucy M. Grant,	108 00
Grace S. Hathaway,	152 00
Annie M. Jenness,	210 00
Ethel C. Wetherbee,	101 00
E. M. Heald,	96 00
Anna I. Clark,	144 00
Etta M. Donovan,	16 00
R. Cushman, Jr.,	210 00
B. A. Albro,	364 00
Ethel R. Sellers,	182 00
M. E. White,	117 00
Sarah J. Kelley,	107 00
Mary F. O'Conner,	24 00
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	\$2,624, 50

TRANSPORTATION.

H. E. Smith,	\$242 50
Robert Ploetz,	192 00
Della Laton,	219 00
James Hammond,	100 00
W. G. Wales,	295 00
S. P. Allen,	160 00
D. A. Smith,	174 60
M. Gleason,	24 75
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	\$1,407 85

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

American Book Co.,	\$ 9 60	
Silver-Burdett Co.,	2 30	
Ginn & Co.,	59 97	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	25 89	
Carter, Rice & Co.,	4 00	
E. E. Babb,	11 21	
Gaylord Bros.,	2 50	
J. C. Hammett & Co.,	97 39	
	<hr/>	\$212 86

SUPERVISION.

H. J. Jones, superintendent,	\$311 62	
D. A. Smith, committee, 1903,	25 25	
D. A. Smith, committee,	13 25	
W. C. Temple, committee,	25 00	
George S. Putnam, census enumerator,	15 00	
L. M. Hanff, truant officer,	4 00	
W. F. Moore, truant officer,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$396 62

PRINTING.

G. W. Hunt,	\$ 1 25	
F. S. Blanchard,	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$17 25

REPAIRS.

D. A. Smith, carpenter work,	\$32 10	
F. S. Hunt, lumber,	5 00	
Outside windows at Center,	13 33	
	<hr/>	\$50 43

JANITORS AND SUPPLIES.

West Rutland,	\$ 8 53	
North Rutland,	14 09	
Two-thirds of janitor's salary at Center,	299 24	
	<hr/>	\$321 86

FUEL.

West Rutland, Lakeville Woolen Co.,	\$ 2 50
North Rutland. Joseph Davis,	16 75
Two-thirds of fuel at Centre,	516 26

 \$535 51

SUNDRIES.

J. L. Barney, repairing clocks,	\$ 5 00
Town of Paxton, tuition,	9 00
R. Ploetz, moving desks and wood,	3 50
H. J. Jones, supplies,	11 55
B. A. Albro,	1 11
Mary Aldrich, cleaning school house,	3 00
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight,	4 56
Two-thirds oil at Centre,	22 27
Two-thirds sundries at Center,	69 60

 \$129 58

STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT.

1903.

March 1. Received from State,	\$772 39
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1904.

March 1. Transferred to general account,	\$772 39
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SCHOOL CENSUS.

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and the following is his report:

Number of boys between the ages of five and fifteen,	138
Number of girls between the ages of five and fifteen,	116
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Number of boys between the ages of seven and fourteen,	82
Number of girls between the ages of seven and fourteen,	81
	<hr/> 163
	<hr/> 417

ROLL OF HONOR.

The pupils named below were neither absent nor tardy for the number of terms specified :

*CENTER SCHOOLS. ONE TERM.

Mildred Ballard,	Earl Griffin,	Joseph Murphy,
Fannie Miles,	Avery Putnam,	Frank Maynard,
Dan Gleason,	Wallace Forbush,	Louis Maynard,
Laura Miles,	Myrna Miles,	Ralph Hammond,
Olive Buss,	Everett Handy,	John Dickson,
Georgie Rich,	Louis Skinner,	Harry Parks,
Mida Wentworth,	William Hunt,	Winnie Rich.

TWO TERMS.

Harold Hunt, Willie Murphy, Helen Murnan, Annie Welch

WEST SCHOOL. ONE TERM.

Edith Bigelow,	Guy Cheever,	Annie Scott,
Charlie Taylor,	Georgiana Taylor,	Hazel Taylor,
	Herbert Taylor.	

THREE TERMS.

Inez Taylor.

We regret that it has been necessary to exceed the appropriation to such an extent; while, however last year, we had no fuel on hand at the close of the year, this year we had some twenty-five tons of coal, besides considerable wood. Also other things at the public building have been charged to the school department that were not included in our estimates for the year, which if credited to the schools would balance the amount overdrawn.

We realize that the cost of our schools is a very large item of expense in proportion to our valuation, but we do not see how they can be materially reduced, under the present system.

The matter of transportation seems to be always on the increase. Owing to the increase in population at West Rutland, the school was so overcrowded that it was necessary to transport some of the

*Report for Intermediate School was not received in time.

scholars to the Center. The same arrangement will have to be carried on this year, unless the town deems it better to build an addition at West Rutland.

We trust that our schools will receive from the voters, the same careful consideration they have alway had; and your committee stand ready to execute, to the best of their ability, your wishes in regard to them.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID P. BUTLER,	}	<i>School Committee</i>
DENNIS A. SMITH,		
WM. C. TEMPLE,		

TRUANT OFFICERS' REPORT.

The Truant Officers desire to call the attention of parents to the following Section in Chapter 44 of the Revised Laws:

"Every person having under his control a child as described in this Section, (between 7 and 14 years of age) shall cause him or her to attend school as herein required (during the ENTIRE time the public day school is in session) and if he fails for five days' session or ten half days' session within any period of six months while under such control to cause a child, whose physical or mental condition is not such as to render his attendance at school harmful or impracticable so to attend school, shall, upon complaint by a Truant Officer, and conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than \$20.00."

We have been called upon to investigate several cases where children have been absent from school, the parents claiming they were sick with colds, and have found the children out sliding, and in one case the boy was at work sawing wood. These pupils were sent to school the next day.

We found one case where the family came to Rutland from an adjoining town, where two children, one nearly eight years and the other nine years old, and neither had ever attended school a day.— Since the visit of the Officer, they have attended every day the weather would permit.

If parents would take an interest in this matter they could relieve the Truant Officers of the unpleasant duty of entering complaint for violation of the law.

WILLIAM F. MOORE, } *Truant*
LOUIS M. HANFF, } *Officers*

Rutland, March 1, 1904.

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

FOR

The Central Worcester District.

TOWNS:

Holden, Oakham, Paxton, Rutland,
Worcester County, Mass.

March, 1904.

THE CENTRAL WORCESTER DISTRICT.

The district was formed July 16, 1900. The services and salary of the Superintendent are shared as follows: Holden, five-tenths; Oakham, two-tenths; Paxton, one-tenth; and Rutland, two-tenths. The Superintendent's year begins Aug. 1. Thirty-four teachers are employed in thirty-two schools. The chairman of the joint committee is Jesse Allen of Oakham, and the secretary is Mrs. Marion E. Warren of Holden. The names of the members of the various committees, with the expiration of their respective terms, are shown below:

HOLDEN.

	Term Expires
T. Walter Howe, - - - - -	1904
Mrs. Marion E. Warren, secretary, - - -	1904
Mrs. Addie M. Holden, - - - - -	1905
William J. Powers, - - - - -	1905
James A. Holden, chairman, - - - - -	1906
Mrs. Martha E. Graham, - - - - -	1906

OAKHAM.

	Term Expires
H. W. Lincoln, - - - - -	1904
Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, secretary, - - -	1905
Jesse Allen, chairman, - - - - -	1906

RUTLAND.

	Term Expires
Dr. David P. Butler, chairman, - - - - -	1904
Dennis E. Smith, - - - - -	1905
William C. Temple, secretary, - - - - -	1906

PAXTON.

	Term Expires
Lewis S. Clapp, - - - - -	1905
Rev. George H. Pratt, - - - - -	1906
Mrs. Susie E. Flint, - - - - -	1907

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton and Rutland:

The fourth annual report of the superintendent of schools for the district comprising your towns is herewith presented.

The year just closed has been filled with activities similar to those which I have described in detail in previous reports. On the road, in the schoolroom, or at the desk, my time has been devoted to the interests of the schools of the district. Through the loyal co-operation of my fellow-workers and your continued confidence and support, I trust that our standards have been maintained and progress made.

ATTENDANCE.

Your attention is called to the "Summary of Attendance" inserted below, and to the tables which follow. In the tables

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

	HOLDEN	OAKHAM.	PAXTON.	RUTLAND.	Total.
No. enrolled since September 1, 1903..	572	94	76	276	1018
Average membership for year.....	491.2	78.5	64.7	235.8	870.2
Average attendance for year.....	437.9	72.4	54.3	201.9	766.5
Per cent. of attendance for year.....	89.1	92.2	85.7	85.6	88.1
Per cent. of attendance for last year.	89.3	93.1	88.7	85.1	89.1

STATISTICAL TABLES.

HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS, 1903-'04	No. Weeks in Term	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Per Cent. for Year	No. Cases of Tardiness
High School	A. K. Learned, Prin. Marion E. Bascom, Assistant	Spring ..	11	43.2	41.7	94.4	.....	28
		Fall	16	54.5	48.2	89.3	.....	27
		Winter..	12	54.1	47.5	87.7	90.4	58
Center. Grammar.	Alma M. Atwell	Spring ..	12	34.0	31.0	91.2	.....	15
		Fall.....	16	39.6	38.6	92.0	.....	33
		Winter..	6	40.0	33.7	84.2	89.1	25
Center. Primary..	Margery A. Rice.....	Spring ..	12	34.9	30.7	87.9	.....	79
		Fall.....	16	30.0	27.1	90.5	.....	53
		Winter..	8	27.6	23.5	85.1	87.8	73
Jefferson, Higher.	Helen L. Smith	Spring ..	12	21.0	19.7	93.5	.....	29
		Fall.....	16	17.8	16.4	92.2	.....	40
		Winter..	8	15.1	12.6	83.2	89.7	16
Jefferson, Room 4.	Clara K. Bascom....	Spring ..	12	31.9	29.4	91.9	.....	39
		Fall.....	16	37.0	34.3	92.8	.....	30
		Winter..	8	32.5	27.5	84.5	89.7	14
Jefferson, Room 3.	Elizabeth Hoxie.....	Spring ..	12	37.3	34.9	94.0	.....	58
		Fall.....	16	36.5	35.6	95.0	.....	46
		Winter..	8	35.1	30.1	85.5	91.5	27
Jefferson, Room 2.	Esther C. Hendricks.	Spring ..	12	27.9	25.4	91.5	.....	40
		Fall.....	16	32.9	30.1	92.5	.....	24
		Winter..	8	32.4	23.5	72.4	85.4	19
Jefferson, Room 1.	Mary L. Gove.....	Spring ..	12	39.1	34.0	86.8	.....	16
		Fall.....	16	34.4	30.5	88.6	.....	16
		Winter..	8	18.3	11.0	60.1	78.5	6
Chaffin, Grammar.	Florence L. Johnson.	Spring ..	12	30.4	28.1	91.9	.....	3
		Fall.....	16	35.0	32.5	92.8	.....	3
		Winter..	8	31.9	28.8	90.3	91.6	1
Chaffin, Primary.	Mabel C. Reid	Spring ..	12	39.1	37.2	95.9	.....	14
		Fall.....	16	28.5	26.8	94.0	.....	1
		Winter..	8	27.7	22.5	74.5	88.1	3
Quinapoxet, Grammar	Ida G. Abbott.....	Spring ..	12	26.0	24.0	93.0	.....	24
		Fall.....	16	35.0	32.0	91.0	.....	44
		Winter..	8	28.0	24.0	86.0	90.0	34
Quinapoxet, Primary	Lillian A. Warner....	Spring ..	12	25.4	22.2	87.5	.....	27
		Fall.....	16	23.7	20.5	86.5	.....	33
		Winter..	8	34.0	27.5	80.5	84.5	7
North Woods ..	Katharine Sullivan	Spring ..	12	20.3	19.3	94.9	.....	21
		Fall.....	16	21.6	20.7	95.2	.....	8
		Winter..	8	20.0	16.8	84.0	91.3	3
Springdale	Maud F. Findeisen...	Spring ..	12	23.7	20.7	87.4	.....	12
		Fall.....	16	18.7	16.6	89.0	.....	27
		Winter..	8	14.8	11.2	75.1	83.8	12
Dawson	Margaret A. Dolan...	Spring ..	12	20.0	19.0	92.0	.....	1
		Fall.....	16	20.0	19.0	89.0	.....	1
		Winter..	8	18.0	14.0	77.0	86.0	12
South	Sadie I. Packard....	Spring ..	12	21.8	21.6	99.4	.....	1
		Fall.....	16	22.7	22.4	98.5	.....	1
		Winter..	8	22.0	21.2	96.6	98.2	2
Unionville	Florence Kirby.....	Spring ..	12	19.6	17.7	89.6	.....	1
		Fall.....	16	20.5	17.0	86.0	.....	2
		Winter..	8	20.0	15.0	75.0	83.5	1

PAXTON.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS. 1903-'04.	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
Grammar	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Spring ..	16	15.1	13.4	88.4	.....	52
	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Fall	12	16.7	15.1	90.5	.....	25
	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Winter..	7	16.0	13.8	86.3	88.4	38
Intermediate	M. Alice Converse	Spring ..	16	20.7	18.1	87.4	.....	64
	M. Alice Converse	Fall	12	25.4	23.4	92.1	.....	49
	M. Alice Converse	Winter..	7	26.3	21.3	80.8	86.7	42
Primary.....	Lulu M. Baker.....	Spring ..	16	27.5	24.1	88.2	.....	76
	Isabelle Jones	Fall.....	12	25.3	20.7	81.8	.....	31
	Bertha B. Pierce.....	Winter..	7	21.5	13.3	76.3	82.1	27

RUTLAND.

High School	Robert Cushman, Principal	Spring ..	14	28.6	26.5	92.7	.....	54
	Bertram A. Albro, Prin.	Fall.....	13	24.0	22.7	84.0	.....	50
	Sarah W. Kelley, Asst.	Winter..	11	20.0	14.0	70.0	82.2	135
Center, Grammar.	Elrie P. Newcomb....	Spring ..	12	44.1	39.9	90.6	.....	53
	Elrie P. Newcomb....	Fall.....	13	40.4	36.8	91.2	.....	69
	Elrie P. Newcomb....	Winter..	7	37.2	32.5	87.2	89.6	31
Center, Intermediate	Sfa M. Ward.....	Spring...	12	39.0	34.2	87.8	.....	40
	Ethel R. Sellers	Fall.....	13	39.0	35.5	91.0	.....	74
	Ethel R. Sellers	Winter..	7	41.2	33.0	80.0	86.2	55
Center, 2d Prim....	.....	Spring.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Sfa M. Ward.....	Fall.....	13	34.1	30.6	89.3	.....	42
	Sfa M. Ward.....	Winter..	7	29.9	25.8	85.6	87.4	29
Center, 1st Prim..	Annie M. Jenness	Spring...	12	59.6	50.5	84.0	.....	67
	Annie M. Jenness....	Fall.....	13	30.8	28.4	92.0	.....	49
	Ethel C. Wetherbee ..	Winter..	7	25.3	18.9	73.0	83.0	54
North Rutland....	Mabelle Heald.....	Spring...	12	26.9	22.7	84.3	.....	56
	Anna I. Clark.....	Fall.....	11	29.2	25.7	88.0	.....	96
	Anna I. Clark.....	Winter..	9	24.6	18.3	74.0	82.1	18
West Rutland.....	Lucy M. Grant.....	Spring...	12	33.0	31.0	94.0	.....	9
	Grace S. Hathaway...	Fall.....	12	41.0	36.0	88.0	.....	9
	Grace S. Hathaway...	Winter..	7	28.0	15.0	53.0	78.3	8

OAKHAM.

Center, Grammar.	Florence E. Bothwell.	Spring ..	10	15.3	14.3	94.0	.....	3
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Fall	11	19.5	18.7	96.0	.....	10
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Winter..	11	20.5	18.9	92.5	94.1	8
Center, Primary..	Minnie M. Mellen....	Spring ..	10	17.2	16.2	96.8	.....	12
	Minnie M. Mellen....	Fall	11	18.7	17.8	95.1	.....	8
	Minnie M. Mellen....	Winter..	11	17.6	16.8	94.7	95.5	3
Coldbrook	Blanche Packard....	Spring ..	10	9.0	8.4	93.0	.....	0
	Blanche Packard....	Fall	11	9.0	8.6	95.0	.....	2
	Blanche Packard....	Winter..	11	11.7	10.4	90.0	92.6	0
South	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Spring ..	10	16.9	14.2	84.0	.....	0
	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Fall	11	17.8	16.9	95.4	.....	1
	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Winter..	11	15.0	12.8	82.4	87.2	3
West.....	Althea Russell.....	Spring ..	10	19.0	17.4	91.7	.....	13
	Ruth Butterfield	Fall	11	14.9	13.9	93.2	.....	2
	Ruth Butterfield	Winter..	11	14.0	12.4	88.5	91.1	10

the column headed "Average Membership" shows the number of pupils who are expected to be present every day in any given term, unless prevented by reasons which make absence *necessary*. The column headed "Per Cent. of Attendance" shows the proportion of this number actually present on the average through the term. The difference between this per cent. and 100 shows the part of its expenditure for which the town has received no return in actual service to its pupils, simply because pupils were not present to enjoy their privilege.

The following are the superintendent's instructions to teachers on the matter of attendance :

1. Try to make the school *attractive* through interest in the work and pleasant associations.

2. Use the Roll of Honor as a stimulus, and *judiciously* stimulate competition with other schools.

3. By personal interviews try to interest any parents who may not be alive to the importance of regularity and punctuality.

4. Insist on promptly rendered reasons for all absences. On the register mark *e* (excused) only *necessary absences*. Mark others *n* (not excused). Warn parents when the number of half-days of absence approaches ten, if unexcused. See Chap. 496, Sec. 31. Require explanation of failure to enter promptly at the opening of the term. Such absence, unexcused, counts on the "ten half-days."

5. Report to the truant officer cases of continued absence for which you cannot find a good reason. Ask the officer to report to you the result of his investigations. Keep a memorandum of all cases requiring the officer's attention.

In short, use all means needed to secure what the law requires. See Chap 496, Sec. 12.

The references above are to the State law, which requires the attendance at school, during all the time the school is in session, of every child between the ages of seven and fourteen, and which further requires every person having under his control such a child to cause him to so attend.

The evils of irregularity are so forcibly stated in the last report of the lamented secretary of the Board of Education, Hon. Frank A. Hill, that I quote his words :

Needless irregularity of attendance is, of course, an exceedingly burdensome weight for the pupil, the teacher, the school, the family, the community to carry. It causes irreparable breaks in the child's

training; it is fatal to his interest in study; it forces the teacher to repeat her instruction, or to let the child go without it; it wounds the school; it hurts the family; it vitiates the expenditure of the school money; from it issue a thousand rills of evil consequences. So deeply are the rights of others and the welfare of the child involved in it that the State has authorized stringent measures for reducing it to a minimum. The efforts of the teachers to secure constancy of attendance have, therefore, great impelling reasons behind them, and are to be highly commended.

I have found many cases of real heroism among pupils in their effort to get to school under adverse conditions, and many parents show a commendable spirit of sacrifice in trying to secure for their children the full benefit of the school privileges furnished by the town. But there are also a good many short-sighted parents who allow trivial causes to interfere with the school duties of their children, and some who deliberately keep their children from school when it is *convenient* to do so. It is for these that the compulsory law is designed, and I shall advise its enforcement in the cases where enforcement is evidently needed.

TOWN NOTES.

This year I change the usual order and place in the early part of the report the notes pertaining to particular towns, and follow with matter of interest to the district as a whole.

HOLDEN.

Attendance.—The South school, as usual, shows the highest per cent. of attendance of any in the town; this year it has the highest in the district. The interest of the children and their parents in maintaining their remarkable record for regular attendance is worthy of imitation. I wish it might spread through all the schools.

The attendance in Room 1, Jefferson, which is composed entirely of very young children, has been so small during the winter term of this year and last as to suggest to some the advisability of closing the school in future for the winter. The small number of pupils in the higher room further suggests the possibility of organizing the pupils at this building into four rooms, as was formerly done.

The membership at Quinapoxet during the fall term completely filled both rooms. The extensive enlargement of the C. G. Wood Company's mills, now going on, may bring to the village such an increase in the school population as to require a third room in the near future.

Teachers.—At the opening of the spring term, Miss Ida G. Abbott replaced Miss Alice Frye in the Quinapoxet grammar school. Miss Lillian G. Ryan, at North Woods, resigned in May to be married and Miss Kathryn Sullivan was her successor. Miss Helen L. Smith, the principal at Jefferson, resigned after one year's service to accept a more attractive position, and Miss Adella Adams was secured for the place. Miss Alma M. Atwell, who had taught the Center grammar school for two years, resigned in June to be married and was succeeded in September by Miss Mary E. Lewis. Miss Maud Findeisen, teacher at Springdale, accepted a better place than this town could offer her, and Miss Anna M. Tracey was elected at Springdale. Miss Tracey resigned during the winter term and Miss Sarah G. Donaher is the present teacher. Miss Lillian Warner of the Quinapoxet primary school was called to West Boylston during the fall term, and Miss Florence Kirby was transferred to the place from Unionville. Miss Mary E. Lamberton was engaged for Unionville.

Thus in a force of eighteen teachers, seven new names appear on the list this year. Resignations have recently been received from the teachers of the grammar schools at the Center and at Chaffin. It is with especial regret that we lose from our force Miss Florence Johnson, who has taught the grammar room at Chaffin with unusual efficiency for more than six years.

The High School.—The following were graduated from the school last June: James F. Beaumont, Minnie A. Findeisen, Edith L. Hendricks, Dagny C. Lindgren, Edith F. Lobdell, Mary O. Lowell, Gilbert E. Moore, Laura V. Nadeau.

Regarding the class, the principal hands me this note:

We follow with solicitude and hope the graduates of the school. Of the eight graduates in the last class, one of the young gentlemen is profitably employed in a large manufacturing establishment of Worcester; the second of the two entered Clark College at the beginning of the academic year, but has been obliged to give up study tem-

porarily because of ill health. Two of the young ladies are engaged in home duties; the other four entered the Worcester Normal School in September, and are holding honorable rank in that institution.

Nine students are candidates for the diploma of the school in June next. In 1905 there will be no graduating class. In 1906 the four regular high school classes will all be represented. If the ninth grade continues to be taught at the high school, as now, it will then be necessary to employ a third teacher.

Of the fifteen members of the ninth grade who completed the work of last year, all but one returned to begin the high school course in September, and this one removed from town. Of the twenty-one pupils who completed the eighth grade work, sixteen entered the ninth grade at the high school. Two are pursuing the same work at Chaffin.

The regular attendance of those members of this class and of the high school who are obliged to come from a distance is particularly commendable.

Miss Mabel E. Dickinson, who for several years had spent one day each week at the High School as teacher of drawing, ended her work with us with the spring term, to our great regret. The weekly drawing lessons are continued by Miss Harriot Andrews of Worcester.

The modified courses of study adopted last year have been continued. The English course is of necessity nearly identical with the Classical, aside from the omission of Latin. Nearly all the pupils in the school are taking the Classical course. In Latin and French the course is strong and the instruction satisfactory. In the mathematics offered, thorough work is done. A year in English history, and opportunity for more work in literature and composition are offered by the new course. In science our course is very deficient. Physics is taken, but the absence of facilities for laboratory work by pupils seriously limits the practical value of the subject. Nothing is done in chemistry, geology, zoölogy, or botany. In short, our pupils are afforded the merest glimpse of the great group of sciences which are so fundamentally related to the utilities and the pleasures of every-day life.

In spite of the limitations which we share with all the small

high schools of the State, it should be noted that within the range of work attempted, good results are secured, and our graduates who go to higher institutions enter with credit, and, as a rule, maintain a good standing. More important than all, the influence of our school, exerted through the personality of its teachers, counts strongly in the building up of high moral character, which is the surest guarantee of a successful life.

RUTLAND.

Attendance.—The statistical tables show that three of the schools have increased their per cent. of attendance over that of last year. But the great irregularity in other schools brings the average for the town nearly to last year's average. Sickness among the pupils at West Rutland caused much loss there. In all the schools the extremely severe weather of the winter has seriously affected the attendance. At the Center, the schools were all dismissed on several occasions, owing to failure to warm the rooms. On some other days the uncertainty as to whether the rooms would be warm doubtless caused many parents to keep their children at home. Opinion is divided as to the cause of the failure to provide the proper temperature, but it is hoped that the Committee realize the serious loss we have suffered and will take measures to prevent its repetition next winter. Inspection of the registers shows the usual amount of absence due merely to parental indifference. I have a considerable list of parents who are apparently liable to fine under the attendance law. If the truánt officers can not secure amendment in any other way, I recommend that they be instructed to bring delinquents before the court as provided by the statute.

Teachers.—The present list of teachers includes but one name which appeared in the list of last year. A new high school principal was engaged for the spring term. He resigned at its close to accept a more lucrative position. The present efficient principal began work in September. The assistant in the high school, Miss Claffin, was visited during the spring term by the superintendent of Attleboro, who offered her a much better position, which she accepted. The new assistant served one

term, when she was replaced by Miss Kelly, who is now doing satisfactory service. Miss Sfa Ward was the new teacher engaged for the spring term in the intermediate room. When the new primary room was opened in the fall, she was placed in charge, and Miss Ethel Sellers was secured for the intermediate room. Miss Ward now resigns, after one year's service, to accept a better position in Natick. Soon after the beginning of her third year in the primary room, Miss Annie M. Jenness accepted an attractive offer from Melrose. Miss Ethel C. Wetherbee was engaged in her place. During the summer Miss Lucy Grant, who had taught the West Rutland school acceptably for three years, resigned to enter the Bridgewater Normal School, and Miss Mabelle Heald, of North Rutland, resigned to enter a business college. The teacher engaged for North Rutland has now resigned after two terms' service.

My first report noted five new teachers secured for that year for the seven positions in the town. My second report recorded but two changes. Last year I reported five changes, and this year I report eight changes in a force of eight teachers. Such a lack of permanency in its working force would bankrupt any other business, and it has a ruinous effect on the character of our school work. A complete remedy is probably beyond our reach, but a palliative is plainly indicated. Our short school year and small weekly salaries will not attract and hold able teachers of experience and proved success. I am aware of the financial burdens now borne by the town, but I see no way to secure the excellence in school results which every citizen desires without putting more money at the disposal of the Committee, to be used judiciously in additional compensation for worthy teachers.

The High School.—In my last report I mentioned two changes in the high school law which affect the town of Rutland. The first change raises the valuation under which a town may be reimbursed for tuition expenditures in outside high schools to \$750,000. This brings Rutland into a new class. It may now provide for its high school pupils in another town and have its tuition expenses refunded by the State. The other change provides that if a town like Rutland which is not required by law to maintain a high school, does maintain one with at least two

teachers, such town may receive a special State grant of \$300. In order to secure the grant, however, the high school conditions must be approved by the State Board of Education. At the time my last report was printed, application had been made for the grant, but the decision regarding approval had not been received. Later we were informed that approval was withheld on the ground of non-conformity to the law, in that the high school teachers were also instructing the eighth grade. The law requires that the two teachers shall devote their entire time to high school instruction. In planning for the present year, three courses were open to the Committee. The first was to continue the former arrangement with the eighth grade in the high school room. This plan would not relieve the over crowded primary room, would tend to cripple the high school, and would give up all claim to the special grant. The second course open was to abandon the high school and provide for the high school instruction which the law requires in another town, receiving reimbursement from the State for tuition expenditures. Were there an approved high school conveniently accessible to Rutland pupils, this plan would be worthy of serious consideration. But as the nearest high schools could only be reached with considerable difficulty, and as this condition would debar many pupils from high school privileges, the adoption of this plan seemed unwise. The third plan to be considered was to comply with the conditions imposed by the State, and to try to secure the special grant. This plan involved providing a separate room for the high school, employing the two teachers for high school work exclusively, and the maintenance of the school for the time required by law. It also made necessary the employment of another primary teacher for full time, where an assistant had been employed for a part of the year. By the adoption of this plan, not only would the needs of the high school be met, but also the overcrowded primary room would be provided for. The larger part of the extra annual expense involved would be met by the grant from the State.

The whole matter was carefully considered by the Committee and the third plan was approved. Later a special town meeting appropriated \$350 for carrying it into effect, and granted temporarily, the use of the reception hall in the town building

for the high school. This room was fitted up as a school room at small expense, and with the recitation room formerly used, answers the purpose satisfactorily. The former high school room was occupied by the new primary department, composed of the second and third grades.

Mr. J. W. MacDonald, agent of the Board, has visited the school, and writes me as follows :

In reply to your inquiry, I am pleased to say that I found, on my last visit, December 16, 1903, a marked improvement in the deportment and work of the school. The spirit of the school as it appeared on that visit was very commendable.

Mr. MacDonald reminds us that the aim of the State in offering the special grant is not to reduce the amount formerly expended by the town, but to assist it in making its high school a good one. He says: "If the people of Rutland will keep a legal high school, they can have \$300 from the State to help them." A "legal high school" is in session forty weeks, but we are allowed, for the present year only, to make the time thirty-eight weeks.

The State requires that every town shall provide free high school instruction for four years for every one of its properly qualified children, without regard to the town's ability to do so. It offers its aid in two forms to enable the less fortunate towns to comply with its requirement. Rutland may choose one of these two forms of aid. The course adopted by the Committee and approved by the town seemed the wiser under present circumstances. Should circumstances materially change, another course might be preferable. Meanwhile your superintendent and the teachers are endeavoring to make the present school as valuable as possible to each individual pupil, and in this effort they depend upon the cordial support of every intelligent citizen.

OAKHAM.

Attendance.—Oakham continues to lead the other towns in regularity of attendance. The heroic spirit shown by many of its pupils in reaching the school in spite of distance and drifts is worthy of much praise.

Teachers.—Miss Althea Russell, of the West school, resigned

her position at the end of the spring term to enter college, and Miss Ruth Butterfield was appointed to the place. Otherwise the teachers remain the same as last year. Oakham has been more fortunate than the other towns in retaining its teachers, and the good results of permanency are evident in the work of the schools. The "exceptional ability" law, under which Oakham received from the State two dollars per week to apply on the salaries of each of four teachers, was repealed, and this year the grant ceased. But the new method of apportioning the income of the State school fund so increases Oakham's share that the total amount received from the State is not decreased. The town therefore continues the former salaries.

The School Year.—The days taken for the agricultural fairs and other occasions, added to the legal holidays, leave scarcely thirty-one full weeks for actual school work. The longer a good school is kept the better, up to a certain limit. The average length of school for the State is about thirty-seven weeks. It would seem that the town of Oakham, with its large share of the State fund and its low tax rate, might give its children a little longer schooling than the shortest time the law allows. I suggest that one week be added to the coming spring term, making thirty-three weeks for the present year, and that next year a week be added to both the fall and spring terms.

Singing.—By taking advantage of favorable circumstances, we have been able to introduce the teaching of singing at small cost. Mr. Charles Keyes, of Barre, an expert supervisor of public school music, met the teachers once for instruction, and a pupil of his, Miss Ethel Harwood, was later engaged to visit each school weekly. At her visits she tests the work of the previous week, lays out that of the week to come, and otherwise assists the regular teacher. The Weaver Individual Method is in use, supplemented by the first book of the Educational Music Course. Both pupils and teachers have undertaken the work with enthusiasm, and an excellent beginning has been made.

PAXTON.

Attendance.—The total average membership of the three schools of Paxton for the first year the town entered the dis-

trict was 59; for the second, 63; for the third, 68; and for this, the fourth, 64.7. Three teachers for this number of pupils is a liberal provision. The per cent. of attendance increased every year till this one, when it has dropped off. With the pupils at a distance transported to the school, and with a building always comfortably warm because of its excellent heating plant and efficient janitor, it would seem that a much more regular attendance should be secured. Inspection of the registers reveals much absence unexplained.

Teachers.—Miss Lulu Baker, who had been the efficient teacher of the primary school for two years, resigned in June, and was succeeded in September by Miss Isabelle Jones. Miss Jones resigned in January to accept a position offered her near her home, and Miss Bertha B. Pierce was secured for the place. Fortunately, Misses Burnham and Converse remain with us, and the expected good results of continued service are evident in their work.

The Work of the Year.—The usual work has proceeded without friction, and a good spirit of industry has prevailed. In connection with my bi-monthly visits, I have frequently met the teachers after school for conference and discussion regarding plans and methods.

The teaching of singing has recently been introduced, the primary teacher taking the work in the intermediate room as well as her own. The Weaver material and the Educational Music Course are used, as in Oakham, though no supervisor is employed as yet. A good beginning has been made.

The Building.—Allow me to call the attention of the Committee to the suggestions made last year in regard to finishing the rooms. The lighting, the warming, and the ventilation of the building are excellent, and the furniture in the rooms is good. These standard utilities are highly valued. The beauty and attractiveness of the rooms would be greatly increased at small expense by the application of kalsomine of proper tint to the walls and ceiling. Good blackboards would add much not only to the appearance of the rooms, but to their every-day usefulness.

THE SELECTION OF TEACHERS.

The School Committee shall select and contract with the teachers of the public schools, shall require full and satisfactory evidence of

their moral character, and shall ascertain by personal examination their qualifications for teaching and their capacity for the government of schools; or in lieu thereof, may accept the diplomas granted by the State normal schools of this Commonwealth to their graduates.—*Revised Laws, Chap. 42, Section 28.*

The powers of the selectmen or of the assessors may affect the interests of citizens in more material and tangible ways, and so receive a larger degree of public attention; but those who understand the real sources of public welfare will grant that no more important powers are exercised by any town official than those exercised by the School Committee. And the most vitally important power of the Committee is conferred by the section of the law quoted above.

During the past year, the committees of the district have had to fill nineteen vacancies, in a total of thirty-four teaching positions. The preliminary correspondence required to find suitable candidates has fallen to the superintendent, and usually he is expected to select the best one he can find for nomination to the Committee. Personal interviews of both Committee and superintendent with candidates have been held when practicable. In about half the cases the superintendent has been directed to engage the best teacher he could secure, subject to later election by the Committee. In performing this duty the superintendent has exercised all the care which the circumstances allowed. In only three cases has it been necessary to engage a teacher without previously seeing her, and in these cases evidence of her fitness was in hand.

It is widely becoming recognized that the successful management and teaching of a school requires ability of a high order. The superintendents and committees of Massachusetts, particularly, are looking for teachers of rare personal endowment, of scholarly attainment, and professional training. The stronger graduates of our normal schools are quickly absorbed by the schools of the wealthier cities and towns, often beginning at a salary larger than any we pay. The fact that there are many other occupations now open to the class of young women who formerly turned to teaching for a livelihood has further reduced the number of aspirants for positions in the schools.

These and other causes have brought about a scarcity of the

sort of teachers which public opinion now demands. Just as in other lines where demand exceeds supply, the possession of the thing desired becomes a matter of money. Teachers whose ability commands \$400 per year are beyond the reach of those who pay, as we do, \$320 or \$360. If we are so fortunate as to secure an ambitious young teacher of excellent natural ability, the experience we give her soon makes her eligible to promotion. This usually means, with us, her election in another town, where she may turn the results of her experience into cash. I have many expressions of appreciation from those who have left us, of my efforts to aid the development of their teaching power. While these are pleasing, it is also discouraging to know that the developed power must go to the service of other schools than our own.

Every good citizen desires not only that our present standards of school results shall be maintained, but that definite improvement be made each year. For the attainment of this end, the permanent employment of efficient teachers is the essential condition. In order to supply this condition it is increasingly clear that committees must have at their command a larger share of the town's funds. The ability to pay a dollar or two more per week often makes the difference between a thoroughly good school and a partial failure.

If any think that present school expenditures are excessive, let me remind them that all our towns are well down the list in the proportion of their taxable property appropriated for the support of schools. In the last graduated table at hand, in which the 353 towns of the State are arranged numerically with regard to this feature, Holden stands 34th, Rutland 87th, Paxton 237th, and Oakham 336th. In the calculation which I published last year, it was found that the daily cost of the schooling of a child in our towns was between nine and one-third and ten and one-half cents, while the average cost for the State is fourteen cents. It is thus evident that a considerable increase of school expenditures may be made without taxation which is excessive as compared with other towns. It will usually be found that the larger resources may most profitably be used in the selection and retention of good teachers.

THE ELEMENTARY COURSE OF STUDY.

As the framework for our scheme of instruction, we are using the outline prepared by Dr. John T. Prince, agent of the Board of Education, and published in his Third Report upon a Course of Studies for Elementary Schools. This document includes, also, a discussion by Dr. Prince of the scope, relations, sequence, and limitations of the several subjects, and every teacher is expected to become familiar with the ideas set forth in this discussion. In the teachers' meeting, and by means of mimeographed notes, the superintendent adds to the outline various suggestions and directions intended to be helpful in reducing it to practice in the school room.

An important feature of Dr. Prince's outline is the arrangement of all the subjects of study pursued in the elementary schools into five groups. This arrangement contributes greatly to simplicity, and is a valuable aid to the teacher in getting a firm and comprehensive grasp of the material of instruction.

Group I includes the language subjects: (a) reading, (b) writing, (c) composition and spelling, (d) memory work, (e) grammar.

The following are extracts from the superintendent's notes on this group, which are placed in each teacher's portfolio:—

All the various lines of language work specified in the outline, when once begun, should be carried on continuously, each receiving its due share of attention. Grammar begins in the latter part of the sixth grade.

The training of pupils in the art of *effective speech* should be a prominent part of the work under this group. The use of the speech organs in oral reading, in all recitations, in declamations, in conversation, and in singing should be made the occasion of such training. Require the pupil's best work in all forms of expression, *oral* as well as written. "The tongue should go before the pen."

In penmanship, we need a revival of attention to the old things, rather than emphasis on the new. The correct position of feet, body and arms, correct penholding, and the necessity of "muscular movement" for ease and speed, have remained the same through all the changes of style in regard to slant. Other things being right, slant is determined by the position of the paper, and is easily managed. Teachers are expected to carry out with vigor the directions of the specialists who may assist us, of the authors of the copy books, and of the superintendent. "The price of success in

teaching writing is enthusiasm and work on the part of both teacher and pupil." Can success in anything be bought at a less price?

Letter writing, as the most common form of written composition, should receive special attention. Instruction and practice in it should begin as early as the fourth grade, and should continue through the course.

In life, writing is done for some one to read, and people talk for others to hear and understand. Let school training be like life. Let pupils read and recite to the class as an audience. Honor the best work with a larger audience, if possible.

The reflex action of good expression should be considered by the teacher. Expression is the final act of knowing. In the preparation of daily lessons, pupils should be trained to prepare to express in good form the things learned. Omission of this is a source of great loss. Power of thought and power of speech grow together, and each helps the other. Thought unexpressed is thought incomplete.

Group II comprises the mathematical subjects: (a) arithmetic, (b) form and geometrical exercises, (c) algebra, (d) book-keeping.

The first three lines of work named are admirably embodied in the Werner series of arithmetics now in use in all our schools. These books are characterized by the elimination of obsolete and superfluous topics, by the practical nature of the exercises presented, by large provision for so-called "mental arithmetic," and by the "spiral advancement plan," which is the natural plan of child growth. Under the guidance of a good teacher, a child will "think his way through" these books, and come out with a good degree of power to apply numbers to the needs of life.

The fourth of the mathematical subjects, bookkeeping, is not yet satisfactorily provided for.

Group III is the science group, including: (a) nature study, (b) geography, (c) physiology and hygiene, (d) information reading connected with the foregoing subjects.

Our work in nature study varies with the interest and ability of the teacher. Some of the most valuable results have been secured through the raising of plants by nearly all the children, and in a few schools by the cultivation of small gardens at school and at home. We hope to extend this line of work.

In geography the new Frye series of books is in use. These

excellent books largely furnish the material of instruction, and determine the order of its presentation.

The statutory requirements in physiology and hygiene are met by a series of lessons during the winter term, an outline of which is furnished by the superintendent. An "Oral Lesson Book" is used as a guide by teachers in the primary grades, and in most of the schools a text-book for pupils is used in the higher grades.

Information reading in connection with the science subjects is limited in amount by the books at hand and the time available.

Group IV includes: (a) history and biography, (b) civil government.

The former subject is given in oral stories in the primary grades, followed, in the intermediate grades, by historical readings, and in the grammar grades by serious study of a standard text-book. A brief course in civil government is included in the work of the ninth grade.

Group V comprises: (a) drawing and art, (b) manual training, (c) singing.

For good results in these lines, close supervision by one or more specialists is usually regarded as essential. Though most of our schools have nothing of the sort, some teachers are doing creditable work. Drawing is given at least two half-hour lessons a week in all the schools. Manual training is represented only by a small amount of paper cutting and folding, a little basketry, or other simple handwork. In singing, Paxton and Oakham have recently begun systematic work, the latter with a special supervisor. Few of the other schools now do anything in this important subject. It is hoped that other committees may approve the plan now in operation in Oakham.

Eighteen separate subjects are mentioned in this outline, all of which are pursued in the best schools of the Commonwealth. Ten of these are required by statute, and all the others are firmly established by intelligent public opinion. Those to whom the list appears formidable should remember that some of the subjects appear only in a part of the course, that others require but a small proportion of time, and that the subjects of a group are so closely related as to form really but one broad subject.

THE TEACHER AND THE COURSE OF STUDY.

The matter to be taught to the several classes, the order in which it shall be taught, and the time allowed for teaching it are fairly well defined by our course of study. Considerable elasticity of requirement is always necessary, however, owing to the different conditions of schools and the varying capacity of classes and of teachers.

The course of study, while highly important, is not the vital matter. The quality of the teaching as it goes on day by day is the chief concern. How to get the teaching done in such a manner that well-organized knowledge shall become the permanent possession of the pupil; that in the process of acquiring knowledge the pupil shall be developing the love and power of acquirement; that by repeated applications of his knowledge, he shall become skillful in these applications,—this is the complex and ever-present problem of school supervision.

The successful carrying out of a modern course of study requires, especially in grammar grades, a much broader academic training than many teachers possess. Even the teaching of the simpler school arts is often defective on account of lack of skill in them on the part of the teacher. Penmanship is sometimes poor because the teacher cannot produce good writing readily, and thus fails to utilize the imitative tendencies of children. Drawing is taught poorly, because the teacher *talks* instead of *draws*. Good oral reading is lacking where the teacher cannot give the children inspiring ideals by living example.

In the broader "content subjects," instruction is often weak because of deficiencies of scholarship in the teacher. In arithmetic, our aim is to develop the power and habit of clear thinking and accurate calculation. The teacher who has never been charmed by the beauty of the mathematical method, and whose skill is hardly equal to the demands of an accurate report from a school register, will fail to get the highest results in this subject. In history, I find pupils memorizing texts and failing to get pictures of the great events which the books record, because the teacher has never seen those pictures clearly and cannot reproduce them. In geography, the absence of the broad view of the subject which a knowledge of its allied sciences alone can give, makes impossible the best results. Nature study will

be scrappy and pointless if the teacher has never grasped the view of the world revealed by modern science.

Beside having the scholarship required by present-day teaching, the successful teacher must be well grounded in the principles of her art, and skilled in the application of those principles to the specific work in hand. There has slowly developed a body of solid educational doctrine, with which no teacher can be ignorant and do the best of which she is capable.

In view of present ideals in school work, the teacher may well say, "Who is sufficient for these things?" Our own teachers, as a rule, are trying by arduous effort to remedy their deficiencies and to fulfill the high obligations of their position. Besides the regular preparation for the daily work of the school-room, the serious study of Dr. E. E. White's "The Art of Teaching" has been expected this year. Many teachers have already passed creditably a written test on the contents of the book, and testify to the practical value of their study of it.

The usual teachers' meetings have been held, in connection with which some special work is generally required, which has been cheerfully done.

It is high praise, but I think it is justly given, when I say that our teachers have practically adopted the creed of the good teacher of the twentieth century, which has thus been formulated by Henry T. Bailey: "I believe in the child, and in working for his good, first, last, and all the time. I believe in continued professional growth in knowledge and technical skill."

THE FACTORS OF A GOOD SCHOOL.

The *essential* factor of a good school is a good teacher. But only when the power of the teacher approaches *genius* can a good teacher alone make a good school. The liberal taxpayer, who provides suitable rooms, the needed appliances, and a salary sufficient to enable the teacher to live in reasonable comfort and to procure the means for self improvement; the sympathetic parent, who is as anxious that the teacher shall like her children as that the children shall like their teacher; a community which approves good conduct and condemns lawlessness,—all these are needed to make a good school.

The most potent influence on the character of the school is that of the homes of the community. An editorial in the current number of the magazine *Education* so clearly states the pertinent facts that I quote a part of it:—

Every superintendent and every teacher knows that the atmosphere of the home has a large share in determining the attitude of the pupil at school. The home has the child in five or six determinative years before the school gets him at all. After he begins his schooling the influence of the home is predominant for seventeen or eighteen hours in the twenty-four hours of each day, to the schools six or seven. The natural respect and love of the child for his parents properly enthrone their standards and their judgment as his ultimate rule and law. Family feeling asserts itself, and what his brother or sister will say or think of anything, profoundly affects a young child's views and actions. The homes where prompt obedience is exacted from the children by the parents; the homes where intelligence forms the daily environment, the homes where things material are orderly; the homes where wholesome food, pure air and water, proper clothing, temperate habits, quietness, subordination of the trivial to the important are insisted upon, where study and work are put first, and play and amusement, while by no means despised or eliminated, are made secondary,—such homes send to the school-room pupils who make teaching almost a pastime. The other kind of homes contributes the difficult problems of the teacher's experience. The difference is felt during the first hour of the first day of the first term by nearly every teacher. He knows almost instantly whether he has a hard job or an easy one before him, and the determining factor in nearly every case is to be found in the homes from which the pupils have come.

To the many parents who have responded to our efforts to unite the home and school in mutual helpfulness, our sincere thanks are extended.

In writing this report, I have had in mind as prospective readers, not only members of committees, but the intelligent citizens of the towns who are interested in the work and problems of the school. As a further means of securing the knowledge on which helpful criticism and suggestion may be based, we invite visits to the schools for consultation with the teachers and inspection of the work.

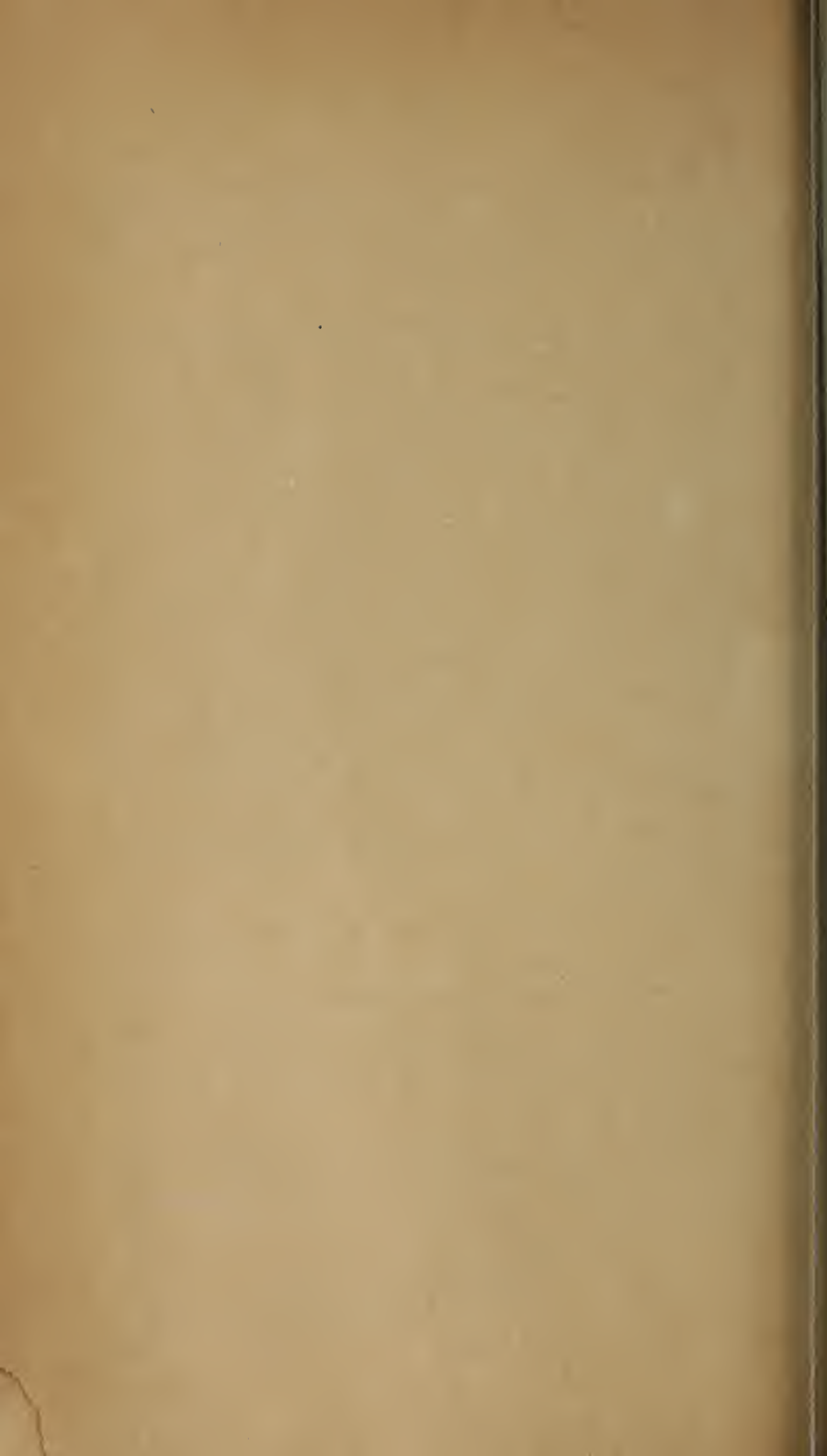
In conclusion, let me express my sense of obligation to my associates in the schools for their loyal assistance, and to the members of the several committees for their continued confidence and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES,

Superintendent of Schools.

Holden, Mass., March 9, 1904.

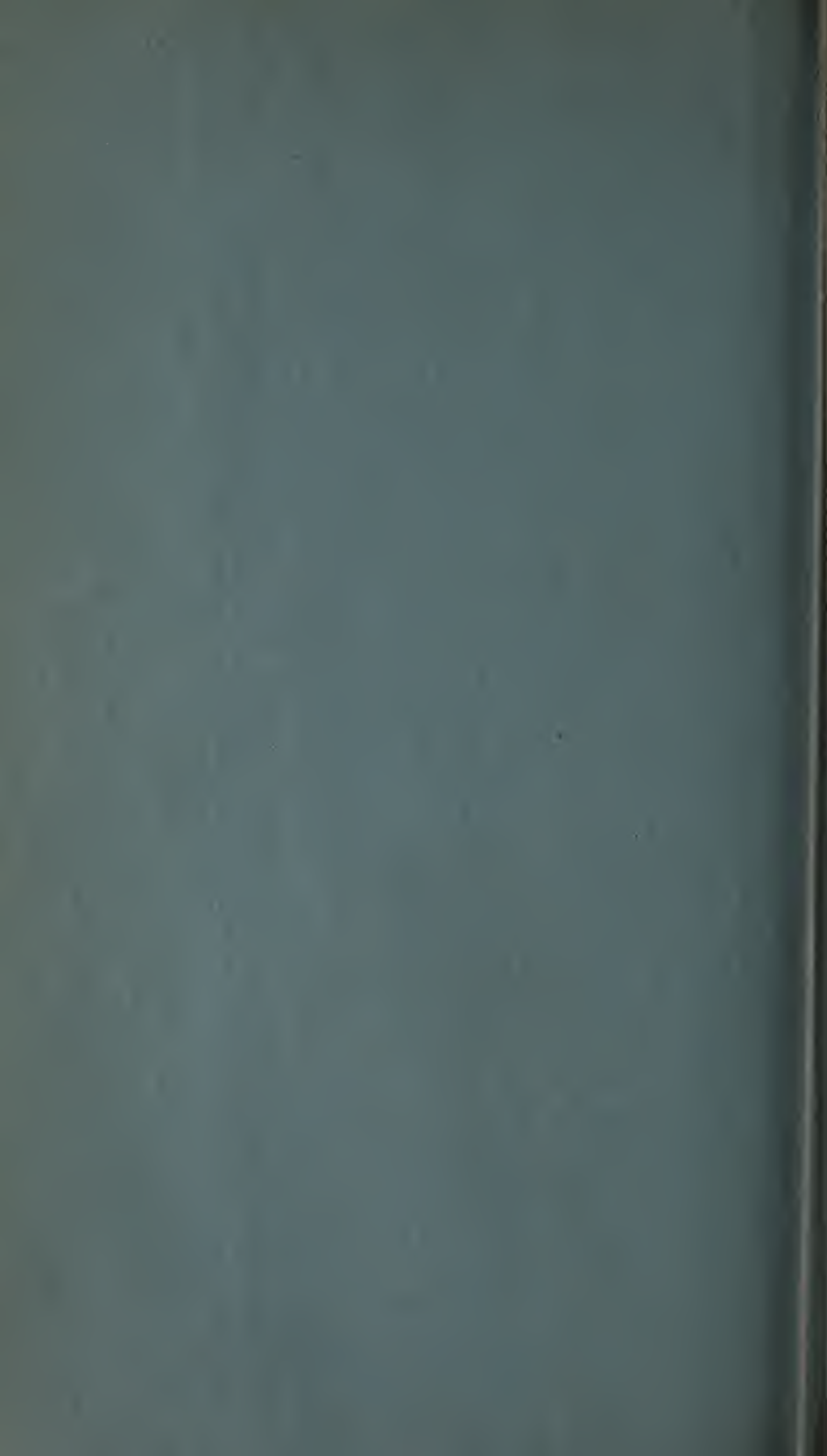




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MODERATOR,
CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

TOWN CLERK,
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SELECTMEN,

C. R. BARTLETT, T. S. HEALD, H. E. WHEELER

ASSESSORS,

W. C. TEMPLE G. S. PUTNAM, C. J. CAMPBELL

OVERSEERS OF POOR,

W. H. MAYNARD, D. F. SMITH, JOSEPH E. WARE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

WM. C. TEMPLE, LOUIS M. HANFF, DENNIS A. SMITH

WATER COMMISSIONERS,

C. R. BARTLETT, W. T. BROWN, MILES HOLDEN

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR,
FRANK D. FORBUSH.

BOARD OF HEALTH,

W. E. CHAMBERLAIN, M. D., W. J. MARCLEY, M. D.,
D. P. BUTLER, M. D.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE,

W. C. TEMPLE, MRS. G. B. MONROE, MRS. L. Q. SPAULDING

CONSTABLES,

J. WARREN MOULTON, FRANK CHEEVER, DENNIS A. SMITH
E. E. LAWRENCE, LOUIS M. HANFF

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR,

D. S. THURSTON.

TREE WARDEN,

GEORGE H. MILES.

AUDITOR,

A. F. BROWN.

CATTLE INSPECTOR,

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

MEAT AND PROVISION INSPECTOR,

GEORGE S. PUTNAM.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER,

D. S. THURSTON, LOUIS M. HANFF, A. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS,

GEORGE H. MILES, T. SIBLEY HEALD, J. E. O'LEARY

POUND KEEPER,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT.

FENCE VIEWERS,

LOUIS M. HANFF A. B. FISHER, NEWTON I. SARGENT

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,

LOUIS M. HANFF.

SOLDIERS BURIAL AGENT,

D. F. SMITH.

SEXTON,

R. C. PRESCOTT.

SPECIAL POLICE,

W. F. MOORE, BYRON J. SPRAGUE, GEORGE S. PUTNAM

WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

To J. WARREN MOULTON, Constable of the Town of Rutland, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To bring in and deposit their ballots for three Selectmen for one year, for three Assessors for one year, for three Overseers of Poor for one year, for a Town Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for five Constables for one year, for an Auditor for one year, for one member of the School Committee for three years, for one member of the Water Commissioners for three years, for one Trustee of Public Library for three years, for a Surveyor of Highways for one year, for one member of the

Board of Health for three years, for a Tree Warden for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall License be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in Town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The Polls will be opened at ten o'clock A. M., and may be closed at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers and Committees.

ART. 5. To see what interest shall be paid on Taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the Town, in anticipation of Taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see if the Treasurer of the Town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation for the same.

ART. 8. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools, for transportation to and from the Public Schools, for repairs on Highways and Bridges, for Support of Poor, for State and Military Aid, for Salaries of Town Officers, for use on Memorial Day, for Contingent Expences and Paying Debts.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will accept the List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will vote to enforce the Sunday Law against Hunting and Fishing.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will vote to make an appropriation for the Water Department on account of Hydrant Service.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will vote to give the Rural Cemetery Association the free use of water for their fountain, or act thereon.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to extend its Water System, or act thereon.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will take any action with reference to caring for its Poor on the co-operative plan.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will vote any instructions to any of its Boards of Town Officers.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will vote to maintain any street lights, or act anything thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote whereby they voted to authorize the Water Commissioners to make a contract with the Massachusetts State Sanitorium, of Rutland, for a term of five years, from October 1, 1904, or act thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to make a contract with the Massachusetts State Sanitorium for a term of years under specified conditions, or act thereon.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote an appropriation for Old Home Week, or act thereon.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will vote to have printed a list of names of Delinquent Taxpayers in the next Annual Report of the Town Officers.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting Attested Copies thereof agreeable to vote of said Town. One at each Post Office and one at the Congregational Church in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereby, fail not to make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Fifteenth day of March, one thousand, nine hundred and five.

C. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

For the Year Ending March 1, 1905.

Dr.

Paid Holden Poor Farm Association, care of poor,	\$ 37 48
May & Parker, board of paupers,	8 15
City of Worcester, board of paupers at Home Farm,	280 00

OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid Aid rendered Granville F. Lombard and family,	158 38
City Hospital, Worcester, for H. Smith,	24 00
City Hospital, Worcester, for Annie Mills,	14 00
City Hospital, Worcester, for Bessie, wife of Sumner Taylor,	8 00
Paid Town of Holden, aid rendered Fred Clarke and family,	10 00
F. A. Caswell, Worcester, burial of Jane Connolly,	15 00
E. W. Merrick, care of four tramps,	1 00

\$556 01

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Received from City of Malden, aid rendered Granville F. Lombard and family,	\$158 38
from State Board of Charity, for burial of Jane Connolly,	15 00

\$173 38

Net expense of supporting Poor the past year,	\$382 63
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It being necessary to provide some means of caring for our paupers, after investigation it was deemed advisable to board them at the Worcester Home Farm at a cost of \$2.80 per week, per pauper. We would recommend that this method be continued.

The past year we have had two paupers for full support, Rose Roen and John Kelley, until the latter was removed by death, February 14, 1905.

W. H. MAYNARD,	} <i>Overseers</i>
D. F. SMITH,	
J. E. WARE,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Poor</i>

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1905.

We have drawn on the Town Treasurer four hundred and fifty-seven orders, amounting to \$13,534.03.

APPROPRIATIONS OF THE TOWN.

State Tax,	\$550 00
County Tax,	770 00
Town Grant,	12,750 00
Overlayings,	327 57
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	\$14,397 57

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

State Treasurer, water loan,	\$21,000 00
“ “	2,500 00
“ building loan,	13,500 00
People's Savings Bank, ten-year loan,	14,000 00
“ temporary loan,	20,200 00
State Treasurer, refund loan,	4,500 00
Hersom Bros., water loan,	1,500 00
Jose Parker & Co., water loan,	300 00
Mabel and Ethel Heald, notes,	750 00
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	\$78,250 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due from State Aid,	\$ 530 00
State, one-half cattle inspection,	46 00
Water rents,	787 07
Service connections,	78 03
L. M. Hanff, uncollected taxes,	9,238 27
D. S. Thurston, “	9,170 29
D. S. Thurston, cash to bal Tr's acct.	2,996 03
Value of water system,	31,300 00
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	\$54,145 69
Leaving a balance against the town of	<hr/>
	\$24,104 31

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

TOWN CLERK.

L. M. Hanff,	\$61 55	\$61 55
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SELECTMEN.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$44 00	
T. S. Heald,	36 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	44 00	
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ASSESSORS.

W. C. Temple,	\$37 50	
G. S. Putnam,	52 50	
C. J. Campbell,	45 00	
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OVERSEERS OF POOR.

W. H. Maynard,	\$57 73	
D. F. Smith,		
J. E. Ware,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$67 73

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$10 00	
W. T. Brown,	10 00	
Miles Holden,	10 00	
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COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

D. S. Thurston,	\$150 00	\$150 00
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AUDITOR.

A. F. Brown,	\$20 00	\$20 00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

C. R. Bartlett,	\$25 00	\$25 00
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TREE WARDEN.

George H. Miles,	\$3 00	\$3 00
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REGISTRARS.

L. M. Hanff,	\$9 00	
C. R. Bartlett,	8 00	
T. S. Heald,	6 00	
H. E. Wheeler,	8 00	
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		\$31 00

BALLOT CLERKS.

Thomas O'Herron,	\$4 00	
W. R. Upham,	4 00	
H. D. Bray,	4 00	
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		\$12 00

CATTLE INSPECTOR.

G. S. Putnam,	\$107 00	\$107 00
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INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

G. S. Putnam,

CONSTABLES.

J. W. Moulton,	\$7 50	
Mark A. Putnam, special,	2 00	
George H. Miles, special,	2 00	
H. E. Wheeler, special,	2 00	
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		\$13 50

SEXTON.

R. C. Prescott,	\$34 00	\$34 00
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		\$813 78

SNOW BILLS.

Daniel McCarthy,		\$ 6 50
George Strong,		2 50
Frank H. Mellen, last years' bill,		13 58
James Hammond,	"	15 50
T. Brodmerkle	"	5 81
W. W. Brodmerkle,	"	10 31

Robert Ploetz, last year's bill,	\$4 16
Charles G. Ploetz, “	5 16
William Ploetz, “	5 50
Frank Forward,	9 26
Matthew Delahanty, last years' bill,	36 33
C. J. Campbell,	1 25
George M. Davis, last years' bill,	22 84
L. M. Nordquest, “	3 50
Lewis C. Merriam,	1 66
F. D. Forbush,	6 50
William J. Hunt,	2 17
John J. Welsh, last years' bill,	18 77
C. T. Oliver,	4 60
A. E. Sargent, last years' bill,	32 83
Dellar LaTon, “	32 33
Michael McGann,	2 83
Newton I. Sargent, last years' bill,	11 75
Walter G. Sargent, “	4 21
John E. O'Leary, “	46 66
Felix Bosquet,	5 16
Elie Beford,	5 16
William Hammond,	7 00
Dennis A. Smith,	2 17
Horace E. Smith,	4 25
H. W. Calkins,	7 82
Michael Leary, —	5 00
William A. Russell,	2 82
C. J. Davis,	4 50
W. G. Wales,	11 34
H. Leadbetter,	1 34
John F. Graton,	3 80
Daniel McCarthy,	2 33
George M. Taylor,	10 16
George F. Goldthwaite, last years' bill.	19 67
V. Norstrom, “	2 50
Dennis O'Herron, “	53 67
* Frank Parker,	2 18
William H. Hammond,	6 08
C. W. Hammond,	4 00

George Hammond,	86 58
John Cronin,	1 83
John Ogren,	2 17
Charles E. Parker,	11 86
C. J. Campbell,	13 25
C. B. Matthews,	5 33
F. C. Matthews,	5 33
H. D. Bray, last years' bill,	3 16
H. D. Bray,	18 58
H. E. Smith,	4 16
W. C. Temple,	15 39
Matthew Delahanty,	29 67
M. H. Scott,	2 50
Palmer Fitts,	3 00
Frank Fay,	5 66
F. D. Wellington,	3 66
Lester Ward,	7 16
Luman H. Stone,	2 00
F. H. Mellen,	10 75
John Cronin,	2 33
George H. Ames,	3 33
George F. Handy,	3 67
John Ogren,	7 17
Daniel McCarthy,	24 83
C. W. Hammond,	1 75
George Hammond,	5 00
William H. Hammond,	2 00
William J. Hunt,	21 51
Dennis A. Smith,	8 25
John Haines,	21 08
James Hammond,	12 00
William J. Welsh,	58
Leslie Prescott,	5 34
Richard Loughman,	2 66
Harold Fay,	2 33
W. G. Wales,	32 17
Albert F. Wales,	9 00
F. J. Tucker,	7 60
W. W. Prescott,	4 67

John Henderson,	\$20 49
C. A. Spooner,	1 83
Edwin H. Prescott,	7 83
L. M. Nordquist,	6 17
Matthew Delahanty,	33 83
Harry H. Prescott,	3 40
Michael Cullen,	6 33
Horace W. Davis,	6 40
E. M. Davis,	10 50
C. J. Davis,	30 00
Clarence Prescott,	7 66
John W. Munroe, last years' bill,	12 68
John W. Munroe,	10 50
Howard S. Davis,	12 00
A. E. Sargent,	4 50
N. I. Sargent,	3 42
E. E. Lawrence,	1 98
W. H. Maynard,	21 83
F. D. Forbush,	12 67
G. I. Rich,	11 49
James O'Connor,	1 50
Charles W. Gilbert,	18 91
William White,	14 83
George Stone,	7 17
George M. Davis,	23 83
John J. Welsh,	21 93
Eddie A. Hanff,	1 33
V. Norstrom,	2 83
Charles Stone,	1 17
George M. Taylor,	19 67
Zebulon Strong, Jr.	10 00
Leroy Brodmerkle,	1 50
Theodore Brodmerkle,	5 00
Ernest Brodmerkle,	7 17
Louis Ryerson,	2 08
H. W. Calkins,	7 83
William Welsh,	83
C. D. Matthews and sons,	5 75
C. J. Campbell,	2 50

R. C. Prescott,	\$ 86
F. Hathaway,	6 16
George H. Miles,	1 16
Chester A. Wheeler,	10 13
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	\$1,195 64

PUBLIC BUILDING.

B. J. Sprague, feather duster,	\$ 1 75
B. J. Sprague, setting glass and rope,	50
B. J. Sprague, shoveling coal,	6 50
George W. Hudson, shoveling coal,	2 00
Joseph E. Ware, wood,	2 500
Fuller & Warren Co., repairs,	64 92
L. M. Hanff, coal,	436 62
E. A. Putnam, oil,	5 69
Watson Hallett, floor brushes,	8 97
B. J. Sprague, setting glass, pair of pincers,	1 60
Charles Stone, express,	40
Clark-Sawyer Co., globes,	50
Prouty Bros., pipe for furnace,	11 90
Washburn & Garfield, pipe fittings,	3 25
B. J. Sprague, keys and sharpening lawn mower,	4 25
John Dixon, fixing leaks in public building,	1 35
George H. Clark & Co.	3 90
Adams & Powers, outside windows,	19 80
B. J. Sprague, setting glass and express,	65
W. H. Sawyer Lumber Co., sheathing,	7 00
Charles Stone, express,	90
B. J. Sprague, cutting wood,	4 50
B. J. Sprague, boiler glass,	25
L. M. Hanff, coal,	61 16
Frank Fitts, wheelbarrow and ash cans,	13 00
Byron J. Sprague, janitor's salary,	460 00
D. S. Thurston, supplies,	28 91
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	\$1,152 77

Two-thirds of the foregoing account charged to schools.

One-third of the foregoing account charged to public building.

SPECIAL REPAIRS ON PUBLIC BUILDING.

APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation,	\$300 00
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EXPENDED.

John Dixon, plumbing, etc.	\$ 8 67
John Dixon, plumbing, etc.	20 75
E. N. Lyman, repairing foundation walls, etc.	35 15
L. M. Hanff, stock and painting,	191 11
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	\$255 68
Balance unexpended,	\$44 32

OLD HOME DAY.

APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation,	\$100 00
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EXPENDED.

Committee on Old Home Day,	\$100 00
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MEMORIAL DAY.

APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation,	\$50 00
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EXPENDED.

Post 136, G. A. R.	\$32 00
Balance unexpended,	\$18 00

INCIDENTALS.

Edward H. Tripp, town and school reports,	\$53 00
Edward H. Tripp, order book and stationery,	8 00
American Express Co.	60
Edward H. Tripp, printing voting lists,	6 75
D. F. Smith, burial agent, burial of E. F. Preston,	35 00
F. D. Forbush, boundry stone,	1 50
Zebulon Strong, Jr., lettering boundry stone,	2 25
Hubert C. Heald, maintaining watering tub,	3 00
American Express Co., scraper repairs,	85
John F. Harris, use of team,	2 00
D. F. Smith, burial agent, burial of Hugh Cook,	35 00

Mark A. Putnam, labor setting boundry stone,	\$ 75
John L. Smith, repairs on scraper,	19 65
Sanford-Putnam Co., tax blanks, etc.	3 40
L. M. Hanff, services and court charges,	15 00
Perry Wood, lumber for old cemetery gate,	3 23
Zebulon Strong, Jr., straightening old cemetery wall,	1 75
Zebulon Strong, Jr., cutting brush in old cemetery,	12 25
Byron J. Sprague, cutting brush in old cemetery,	3 50
George Strong, cutting brush in old cemetery,	6 50
H. E. Smith, repairing pipe at watering tub,	1 50
Edward H. Tripp, tax books,	6 00
Henry Converse, lining for ovens to range,	5 45
A. B. Fisher, repairing scraper,	12 60
L. M. Hanff, court charges,	13 85
Edward H. Tripp, valuation reports,	50 50
Worcester County Abstract Co.	12 50
Michael Loughman, repairing scraper,	13 90
Edward Viner, gravel,	3 68
L. M. Hanff, court charges,	110 80
E. W. Merrick, court charges,	3 80
C. F. Lawrence, election ballots,	17 50
L. M. Hanff, court charges,	25 91
George S. Putnam, fumagating watering tubs,	10 95
Edward H. Tripp, printing notices,	1 50
Paul Wheeler, tool handles,	60
L. M. Hanff, insurance,	78 00
W. A. Wheeler, maintaining water tubs,	5 00
D. S. Thurston, negotiating notes and postage,	8 00
Ross Bros., highway tools,	1 60
H. E. Wheeler, repairing cemetery fence, cutting brush in old cemetery, attending hearings at Boston and Wor- cester of highway commissioners,	29 75
C. R. Bartlett, attending hearing at Boston and Worcester of highway commissioners,	8 00
C. R. Bartlett, telephoning nnd express,	2 50
C. R. Bartlett, day with engineers of highway commissioners,	2 50
L. M. Hanff, adminstering oath,	4 50
D. F. Smith, burial agent, burial of Michael Nash,	35 00
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	\$679 47

RECAPITULATION.

Town Officers,	\$ 813 78
Schools, including $\frac{2}{3}$ public building acct.	5,779 69
Snow Bills,	1,195 64
State Aid,	530 00
Military Aid,	48 00
Highways,	1,384 39
Overseers' Orders,	556 01
Incidentals,	679 47
One-third Public Building account,	384 25
Special Repairs on Public Building,	255 68
Water Department,	1,695 12
Free Public Library,	80 00
Old Home Day,	100 00
Memorial Day,	32 00
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	\$13,534 03

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED.

One near S. B. Bray's
 One near E. C. Dudley's
 One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads
 One at West Rutland near Post Office
 One near Charles Pierce's
 Two near Patrick Delehanty's
 Two near Henry Kennan's
 One near Miles Holden's
 One near Gen. Putnam Memorial
 One near Muschopauge House
 One near Center Post Office
 One near Pound Hill
 One near Daniel Nihin's
 One near Walter Bartlett's
 One near M. Myron Smith's
 One near Charles R. Bartlett's
 One near W. J. D'Ert's
 One near Greenleaf Corner
 One near Benjamin Allen's place
 One near Addison Childs'
 One at New Boston Corner
 One near W. J. Broadmerkle's
 One near Levi H. Stearns'
 One near Sargent's Corner
 One near Upham's Corner
 One near D. R. Wheeler's
 One near No. 1 School-house

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

Lawrence E. Smith,	L. A. Baker,
William J. Hunt,	P. S. O'Connor.
Thomas O'Herron,	Charles H. Upham,
Weston R. Upham,	A. B. Fisher,
Herman D. Bray.	Joseph E. Ware,
Henry B. Davis,	E. Wellington,
James Hammond,	William H. Maynard,
A. Clifford Wheeler,	George F. Handy.

The delay in getting out the printed report of the Town Officers has been unavoidable. The Treasurer, Mr. D. S. Thurston, was taken suddenly and seriously ill, which wholly incapacitated him from completing the Treasurer's Report that he was preparing at the time to submit to the town. The Selectmen, with the assistance of his daughter, Miss Ethel, and Mr. L. M. Hanff, have completed the Treasurer's and Collector's Report to the best of their ability, and believe it to be correct.

Mr. L. M. Hanff was appointed Treasurer pro-tempore by the Selectmen immediately after receiving notice of Mr. Thurston's condition, and he has duly qualified to perform the duties of Treasurer temporarily.

Some of the departments have been able to keep within the appropriation, while others have been obliged to exceed the sum allotted. Among those is the snow department, which has cost the town more than double the amount of the appropriation. This is an expense that no one can forecast, no more than that of the incidentals, which fortunately has been kept within the appropriation the past year. The financial showing on the first page of the Selectmen's report gives a balance against the town of \$24,104.31, a slight decrease from last year.

The Selectmen have secured from the Massachusetts State Highway Commission the granting of over 6,000 feet of State highway, beginning at Holden line on the main Worcester road and ending at Pound Hill, at the junction of the Princeton road, near the watering tub. It is expected this road will be built this season.

In conclusion, the Selectmen would urge that no unnecessary appropriation be made for the coming year, that the tax rate may be reduced if possible, and our citizens be relieved somewhat of the burden which is at best very great for them to bear. Therefore, we would recommend the following appropriations :

For Schools,	\$3,600 00
Highways,	1,200 00
Poor,	500 00
State Aid,	500 00
Contingent,	1,300 00
Payment of Debts,	3,000 00
Town Officers,	800 00
Snow,	500 00
Hydrant Service,	350 00
Memorial Day,	25 00
Military Aid,	50 00
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	\$11,825 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
T. SIBLEY HEALD,	
H. E. WHEELER,	

} *of*
} *Rutland.*

Rutland, March 1, 1905.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1904:

BIRTHS.

NAMES.	PARENTS.	DATE.
Annie Elizabeth,	Fletcher B. & Dorcas A. (McDonald) Cannon,	Jan. 10
Charles Jarvis,	William C. & Carrie S. (Hayward) Hill,	Jan. 12
James Raymond,	James & Vera A. (Stearns) Hammond,	Feb. 8
Bertha Frances,	Merrill & Edith E. (Dudley) Eccleston,	March 22
George Marvin,	Charles J. & Martha E. (Smith) Campbell,	May 18
Dennis Alfred,	George H. & Kate E. (Shea) Willis,	June 4
Mildred Frances,	John H. & Cora B. (Watson) Locke,	June 29
	Morris & Delia (Lovely) Lyons,	Aug. 5
Douglas Marden,	Charles E. & Mary A. (Demond) Viner,	Aug. 12
Pearl Ola Lillian,	Henry & Rose (Gonyers) Courtemanche,	Aug. 15
Chester Theodore,	Clarence T. & Sarah F. (Bemis) Oliver,	Sept. 16
William Herbert,	Michael J. & Catherine J. (O'Leary) Gleason,	Oct. 20
James Francis,	William A. & Nellie H. (Cahill) Curtis,	Oct. 26
Jessie Mildred,	Sidney I. & Jessie I. (Taylor) Dean,	Nov. 14
Florence,	Fred J. & Abbie R. (Hunter) Tucker,	Nov. 15
Male. stillborn,		Nov. 26
Grace Viola,	Frank & Mary A. (Locke) Butler,	Dec. 25

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES.	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
February 15,	Charles Henry Goodwin,	Princeton,	Worcester
	Julia Elizabeth Sisson,		Rutland
February 21,	Patrick Murphy,	Holden,	Rutland
	Margaret Myers,		Rutland
April 30	Alexander Henderson,	Holden,	Rutland
	Adalaide Lawless,		Rutland
June 16,	Alec St. George,	Worcester,	Princeton
	Lula M. Brown,		Rutland
June 23,	William James Prescott,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Mabel M. Rich,		Rutland
July 20,	Winthrop L. Tidd.	Rutland,	Taunton
	Margaret Black,		Taunton
July 23,	Walter Mortimer Clifford,	Oakham,	Rutland
	Jennie Guptil Crenner,		Rutland
July 30,	Frederick R. Locke,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Emma L. Watson,		Rutland
Oct. 2,	Ernest A. Chickering,	Rutland,	Spencer
	Melvina W. Edwards,		Spencer
November 24,	George A. Desroches,	Spencer,	Rutland
	Eldora Cassavant,		Spencer
December 24.	Chester Arthur Charter,	Boylston,	Rutland
	Lila A. Cheever,		Rutland
December 25,	Joseph Lepp,	Fitchburg,	Fitchburg
	Lucy J. Parker,		Rutland

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAMES.	AGE.			USUAL OR FOR- MER RESIDENCE.
		y.	m.	d.	
January 24,	Aaron William Cronk.	55	10	4	Rutland
February 6,	Margaret Garvin,	38	—	—	Boston
February 6,	Jane Connolly,	24	5	2	Newburyport
February 9,	Susan Marion Childs,	22	8	13	Rutland
February 11,	Eugene J. Moriarity,	26	11	7	Worcester
February 14,	Patrick Henry Quigley,	27	9	14	Fitchburg
February 21,	James Hunter,	80	11	2	Rutland
March 1,	John J. O'Brien.	37	6	—	Boston
March 11,	Johanna Delehanty,	70	—	—	Rutland
March 12,	Ann Welch,	82	6	13	Rutland
March 15,	Theodore Hobert Draper,	20	—	2	North Attleboro
March 17,	Christopher R. Heaphy,	31	3	9	Boston
March 24,	Dennis James Connor,	—	2	28	Rutland
April 2,	Ridabell Strong,	—	1	—	Rutland
April 6,	Lydia Watson Read,	93	5	26	Rutland
April 8,	Helen J. Doherty,	22	10	15	Woburn
April 13,	John Q. Adams,	52	—	—	Rutland
April 16,	John Demedis,	30	6	3	Everett
April 22,	Frank C. Howard,	26	—	6	Woonsocket, R I.
May 21,	Dennis D. Shea,	17	4	29	Cambridge
May 23,	Hugh Cook,	76	9	—	Rutland
May 31,	Mary J. Dodge,	64	6	11	Rutland
June 4,	Herbert Maynard Whitney,	5	6	—	Lowell
June 25,	Mary Holland Wilmot,	22	—	—	Boston
June 29,	Dennis F. Horrigan,	23	—	—	Holyoke
June 30,	Jennie Harriet Arms,	39	3	3	Deerfield
July 5,	Evangeline McCusker,	87	2	—	Cambridge
July 16,	Chandler Osgood Barry,	26	9	24	Boston
July 17,	Michael F. Nash,	32	2	1	Boston
August 4,	Herbert L. Whitney,	30	7	8	Lowell
August 7,	Melissa Robinson,	21	—	—	Gloucester
August 29,	Mary R. Davis,	68	8	—	Rutland
August 30,	Bernard F. Carley,	29	6	19	North Attleboro
August 30,	Charles Valentine Hanley,	26	6	—	Boston
September 11,	John David Griffin,	83	—	20	Princeton
September 11,	Amanda Rebecca Bowen,	87	10	15	Rutland
September 16,	Grace Lyndor Hutchinson,	25	4	29	Lynn
September 28,	Onda Tosi,	2	10	—	Boston
October 13,	Harry F. Bradlee,	24	9	1	Dover, N. H.
October 18,	Lizzie Lombard Goldthwaite,	55	9	13	Rutland
October 28,	John H. Newman,	70	—	—	Ireland
October 29,	Henry Smith,	40	—	—	Boston
October 31,	Clarence K. Hicks,	22	3	17	New Bedford
November 14,	David Greer,	40	7	2	Boston
November 26,	Stilborn, male,	—	—	—	—
December 3,	Robert E. Hawkins,	19	4	13	Attleboro
December 6,	Ellen Silverman,	35	—	—	Manchester, N. H.
December 26,	Ellen Sherman Corson,	47	3	—	Newton

Number of Dogs licensed during the year 1904:

Received for 55 Male Dog licenses @ \$2.00,	\$110 00
Received for 2 Female Dog licenses @ \$5.00,	10 00
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	\$120 00
Less 57 fees @ \$0.20,	11 40
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Paid to County Treasurer,	\$108 60
Cash on hand for 3 licenses, (male),	\$6 00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,
Town Clerk.

Rutland, March 1, 1905.

BY-LAWS

OF THE

TOWN OF RUTLAND, MASS.

Adopted March 28, 1904.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. The Annual Town Meeting for the election of Town Officers, and for granting and voting such sums of money as may be necessary for all general purposes, shall be held on the last Monday in March in each year.

SEC. 2. The Warrant for all town meetings shall be directed to either of the Constables of the town, and the meeting shall be notified by posting attested copies of Warrants in each of the Post Offices of the town and on the Town Hall Building, seven days, at least, before the day of such meeting.

SEC. 3. The Town Officers and their terms of service shall be as follows: Town Clerk, three years; three Selectmen, one year; three Assessors, one year; three Overseers of Poor, one year; Town Treasurer, one year; Collector of Taxes, one year; five Constables, one year; Auditor, one year; three School Committee, three years, one to be chosen each year; three Water Commissioners, three years, one to be chosen each year; three Trustees of Public Library, three years, one to be chosen each year; a Surveyor of Highways, one year; Board of Health, three members, three years, one to be chosen each year; a Tree Warden, one year.

SEC. 4. The Town Officers which are required by law to be chosen by ballot and their respective terms of office, shall be designated in the Warrant for the meeting at which they are to be elected.

SEC. 5. At the Annual Meeting the polls shall be opened at ten o'clock A. M., and shall be closed at two o'clock P. M., provided that they may be closed later by a two-thirds vote of all voters present and voting in such meeting

SEC. 6. No grant of a sum of money exceeding two hundred dollars shall be made until the subject matter thereof has been considered and estimates reported to the town either by the Selectmen, School Committee, or some committee chosen for that purpose in pursuance of a vote of the town.

SEC. 7. No vote shall be reconsidered at the same meeting or an adjournment thereof, except upon a motion made within one hour of active session the adoption of such vote, or unless ordered by two-thirds of the voters present and voting in such meeting.

SEC. 8. The Selectmen shall have full authority, as agents of the town, to institute and prosecute suits in the name of the town, and to appear and defend suits brought against the town, unless it is otherwise specially ordered by vote of the town at a meeting called for that purpose.

SEC. 9. The financial year shall begin with the first day of March in each year and end with the last day of February following.

SEC. 10. No money shall be paid from the treasury, except the State and County Taxes and notes and interest thereon, without a warrant therefor signed by a majority of the Selectmen.

SEC. 11. No money granted for a special purpose shall be applied to any other use, unless by a vote of the town, and all unexpended balances of such grants shall be reported in the Annual Report of the Selectmen.

SEC. 12. No orders shall be drawn upon the Treasurer for any purpose not authorized by a vote of the town, or the laws of the Commonwealth, nor shall the amount of orders drawn against any special appropriation exceed the same.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Whosoever shall behave in an indecent or disorderly manner or use profane, indecent or insulting language in any public place or on any side walk or street in the town, to the annoyance or disturbance of any other person there being or passing in a peaceable manner, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars for each offense.

SEC. 2. Whosoever shall affix with paste or other adhesive substance, any bills, placard or notice, or shall write any figures, words or devices, to or upon any building, fence or wall in the town where the owner or occupant shall have posted a notice forbidding the same, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars for each offense.

SEC. 3. Whosoever shall wilfully or maliciously deface or tear down any bill, placard or notice posted for a lawful purpose, except the same be affixed to premises owned by him or under his control, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars for each offense.

SEC. 4. Whosoever by any means or manner shall wilfully frighten any horse, or play at any game in which a ball is used, or throw stones or other missiles in any street or on any sidewalk or public grounds, except school play grounds, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars for each offense.

SEC. 5. Whosoever shall make any indecent figures or write any indecent or obscene words upon any fence, building or structure in any public place, or wantonly expose his naked person to the view of other persons there being or passing in any street or public place, or in or near any dwelling-house, or commit a nuisance upon any sidewalk or against any tree, building or structure adjoining the same, shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than five dollars nor more than twenty dollars for each offense.

SEC. 6. The Constables annually chosen, shall, in addition to the duties required by the laws of the Commonwealth, make complaints and carry into execution any judgments for violation of these By-Laws. The compensation for such Constables shall be fixed by the Selectmen.

SEC. 7. These By-Laws may be amended at any Annual Meeting, an article for that purpose having been inserted in the Warrant for such meeting.

SEC. 8. These By-Laws shall take effect from and after their approval by the Superior Court.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

The sum of fourteen hundred dollars (1,400.00) being the amount appropriated by the Town for the repairs of roads and bridges. I give below the amount expended each month.

In the month of April,	\$115 97
May,	322 04
June,	391 10
July,	116 01
August,	187 11
September,	64 00
October,	133 16
November,	45 00
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	\$1,374 39
Railing for North Rutland bridge,	10 00
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	\$1,384 39

The list of tools belonging to the Town is as follows;

1 road machine,	2 hammers,
8 round pointed shovels,	2 iron bars,
1 square pointed shovel,	2 stone forks,
1 stone rake,	2 bush scythes,
1 bog hoe,	2 hoes,
4 picks,	

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK D. FORBUSH,
Highway Surveyor.

Rutland, March 1, 1905.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand and unexpended balance March 1, 1904,	\$ 35 44	
Appropriation,	100 00	
Received from sale of cards and fines,	5 08	
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EXPENDITURES.

Paid Librarian's salary,	\$78 00	
New cards,	2 00	
Express,	1 30	
Books,	1 15	
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Balance,		<hr/> \$58 07

Of this balance, \$37.88 is unused appropriation, and \$20.19 is in hands of Trustees.

The number of books taken from the library during the year was 3,016.

The following books have been contributed :

- "Memoirs of Rufus Putnam," given by Hon. Henry A. Marsh
- "A Legislative Souvenir," W. C. Temple.
- "Picturesque Rutland," Rutland Fire Department.
- "Real Diary of a Real Boy," Gertrude Hall.
- "Woman," Mrs. Louisa Pierce.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, MRS. SARAH MUNROE, MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,	}	<i>Library Trustees</i>
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Rutland, March 1, 1905.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Inventory of the Fire Apparatus belonging to the Rutland Fire Brigade:

- 1 two-horse reel, with 1,000 feet of hose
- 4 nozzels and pipes
- 2 hydrant wrenches
- 2 monkey wrenches
- 2 hose shackles
- 4 axes
- 1 hand pump, with 50 feet of effective hose, also 50 feet of defective hose
- 1 suction hose, 8 feet long
- 1 nozzle
- 1 spannier
- 1 iron bar
- 1 ladder hook
- 100 feet $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rope
- 1 low express wagon (single)
- 1 ladder truck, with 2 extension ladders and 4 roof ladders
- 1 30-foot ladder
- 22 fire pails, in good order
- 1 traverse runner sled, for ladders
- 24 arm chairs
- 10 bracket lamps
- 1 hand lamp
- 1 stove
- 5 cuspidors
- 1 dust pan and brush
- 2 hand lanterns
- 2 horse blankets
- 1 bell, for tower
- Ladder and pails at North and West Rutland

Rutland, Mass., March 4, 1905.

The Rutland Fire Brigade respectfully submits the following items paid by them out of their treasury for the benefit of the citizens, since 1902, and begs leave to have them in the Town Report.

Paid for Range for Town Hall,	\$ 40 00
Painting hose house,	15 00
Painting hook and ladder truck,	8 00
Painting hose reel,	12 00
Tables for dining room Town Hall,	30 00
Cupboards for dishes,	50 00
Dishes, knives, forks, spoons, etc.	165 00
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	\$320 00

J. R. PUTNAM,
Clerk.

REPORT OF THE SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

There has been quite a large increase during the past year in revenue to the Water System. From patrons nearly \$90, and due from the Sanitorium for increase about \$200. A new contract will doubtless soon be made with the State whereby a large increase will be annually received.

Four new patrons have be added during the year, and many other patrons have made extensive additions which will materially increase the income to the Department. The financial showing for the year leaves only a small balance against the Water System for maintainance, and with anticipated increase, it may be confidently expected to become more than self-supporting the coming year.

Late in the year Mr. E. E. Lawrence resigned his position as engineer at the pumping station, and Mr. Edward Viner was appointed in his place. It is due to Mr. Lawrence to say that his long and faithful service has been duly appreciated by the Water Board.

Early in the year a large break in the water main near the Drumlin farm was repaired at considerable expense. Only a few minor leaks have appeared during the year until recently. There is reason to believe that a leak exists at the Sanitorium, although a diligent search has not as yet located it. The State is doing its best to find it, and will no doubt make everything satisfactory to the town.

The severe Winter has not seriously affected the Water System. Only two or three service connections have frozen, and none of the water mains. The sixty-five patrons have been supplied with an abundance of pure water at reasonable cost during the year.

RECORD OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND FOR THE YEAR 1904.

Month	Total Consumption in Gallons
January,	437,658
February,	3,070,665
March,	3,240,081
April,	4,480,112
May,	2,498,886
June,	3,338,907
July,	3,162,432
August,	3,411,144
September,	3,215,551
October,	3,070,665
November,	2,706,538
December,	2,276,694
Total gallons,	<hr/> 34,909,333

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND.

SUPPLIES.

125 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch galvanized pipe
 6 faucets
 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks
 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch corporation cock
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch ells
 3 soldering nipples
 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tees
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions
 1 pound solder
 4 service boxes

Approximate value, \$25.00

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING.

3 picks,	\$3 00
3 hammers,	2 50
1 spade,	75
1 grub axe,	1 00
3 drills,	1 75
4 lanterns,	2 00
	<hr/> \$11 00

TOOLS FOR PIPING.

1 2-inch die plate,	\$6 00
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 80
2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 50
2 W. I. wrenches for sidewalk shut-off,	3 83
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,	2 26
1 1-inch tap,	94
1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch and $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch,	4 00
1 2-inch drill for ratchet,	90
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drills,	1 20
1 1-inch daill,	53
2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamers,	2 26
1 1-inch reamer,	94
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,	63
1 2-inch Stanwood cutter,	98
1 expander,	5 00
1 gate wrench,	2 50
1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate with $2\frac{3}{4}$ dies,	4 12
1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,	3 40
1 18-inch Stillson wrench,	1 60
1 24-inch Stillson wrench,	2 40
2 pairs Brown's tongs,	1 20
1 15-inch Coe's block wrench,	1 00
1 wall vice,	8 10
1 wall hinge vice,	3 00
2 packer's sleeve ratchets,	4 05
1 iron crow,	9 60
1 2-inch Walworth cutter,	1 46
1 tube scraper,	3 00
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	\$79 20

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Paid Interest on water loan,	\$917 50
E. E. Lawrence, engineers' services,	462 50
Edward Viner, engineers' services,	120 21
J. Albert Walker, coal,	94 40
C. H. Sprague & Sons, coal,	188 46
L. M. Hanff, coal,	481 51

Paid	E. E. Lawrence, wood,	\$9 00
	Edward Viner, wood,	5 00
	James Hammond, drawing coal,	13 87
	E. E. Lawrence, "	8 50
	Marsh Ice Co. "	12 00
	Fred Richardson, "	11 00
	A. F. Brown, "	15 00
	L. H. Stearns, "	3 50
	W. H. Hrmmond, "	12 19
	C. R. Bartlett, "	3 00
	George H. Miles, "	11 50
	Boston & Maine Railroad, freight on coal,	50 87
	F. J. Tucker, repairing leaks in water main,	12 65
	Patrick Moriarty, " "	5 25
	E. E. Lawrence, " "	20 25
	C. R. Bartlett, " "	10 00
	John Dixon, " "	5 75
	E. E. Lawrence, repairs on boiler,	4 75
	George S. Dixon, oil,	5 75
	George H. Clark & Co., oil,	2 50
	John Dixon, repairing oil cylinder, solder, etc.	80
	Washburn & Garfield, gauge cock and valves,	4 27
	Washburn & Garfield, pipe and fittings,	14 03
	Washburn & Garfield, supplies and packing,	8 83
	Pratt & Inman, $\frac{3}{4}$ steel clutch.	2 99
	G. F. & W. H. Warren Co., leather packing,	3 65
	Mass. State Sanitorium, steam fittings,	1 76
	Knowles Steam Pump Wks., valves, springs,	16 19
	Edward Viner, repairs on boiler,	3 22
	City of Worcester, 4" pipe and sleeve for water main,	11 34
	Proctor & Bowen, valves,	3 12
	M. Loughman, making irons,	1 75
	Cunningham Iron Co., boiler tubes,	23 52
	Boston & Main R.R., freight on boiler tubes,	78
	Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe and fittings,	23 21
	E. Burlingame, tube scraper,	3 00
	E. E. Lawrence, covering pipe,	2 50
	E. E. Lawrence, express,	75

 \$2,612 62

MAINTAINANCE OF WATER DEPARTMENT.

CR.

Paid Interest on water loan to Jan. 1, 1905,	\$917 50	
Engineers' services,	582 71	
Coal,	764 37	
Wood,	14 00	
Drawing coal,	90 56	
Freight on coal,	50 87	
Repairing leaks,	53 90	
Washburn & Garfield Co., supplies,	27 13	
Oil,	8 25	
E. E. Lawrence, repairs on boiler,	4 75	
Edward Viner, repairs on boiler,	3 22	
John Dixon, repairs on oil cylinder,	80	
Pratt & Inman, steel clutch,	2 99	
G. F. & H. W. Warren Co., leather packing,	3 65	
Mass. State Sanatorium, steam fittings,	1 76	
Knowles Steam Pump Co., valves, springs,	16 19	
City of Worcester, pipe, etc.	11 34	
M. Longhman, irons,	1 75	
Cunningham Iron Co., boiler tubes,	23 52	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on boiler tubes,	78	
E. E. Lawrence, express,	75	
Proctor & Bowen, valves,	3 12	\$2,583 91

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Received from State Sanatorium, water rent,	\$1,000 00	
Received and due from patrons for water rent, one year, to January 1, 1905,	860 93	
Received and due from patrons for service con- nections, one year, to January 1, 1905,	11 17	
Due from Town, on account of hydrant service,	400 00	
Due from Town, on account of supplying Public Building with water,	20 00	
Due from Town, on account of supplying two watering places,	10 00	
Due from Town, on account of fountain in Rural cemetery,	10 00	
Due from State Sanatorium, water rent in ex- cess of contract, not adjusted, estimated about	200 00	
Value of coal on hand,	60 00	
Due from Town, for coal,	5 66	\$2,577 76
Leaving a balance against the Water Department of		\$6 15

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,

Rutland, March 1, 1905.

Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FELLOW CITIZENS:—

We herewith respectfully submit our annual report:

STATISTICS.

Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, as per School Census, September 1, 1904,	244
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1904,	264
Average membership for the year,	224.9
Average attendance for the year,	201.7
Per cent. of attendance,	89.7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Town appropriation,	\$4,000 00
State, toward Superintendent's salary,	250 00
Part of dog fund,	59 93
Lyman School, tuition,	50 00
State Board of Charity, tuition	22 00
City of Boston, tuition,	66 50
State, for High School,	300 00
Transferred from State School Fund,	1,052 92
State,	80 00
	\$5,881 35

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,717 50
Transportation,	1,454 50
Books and supplies,	297 62
Supervision,	384 75
Printing,	19 39
Repairs,	16 45
Janitors,	322 67
Fuel,	521 85
Sundries,	44 96
	\$5,779 69
Unexpended balance,	\$101 66
Unpaid bills, estimated,	\$110 00

BILLS APPROVED.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

B. A. Albro, High School, principal,	\$537 00
Miss Sarah W. Kelley, High School, assistant,	140 00
Miss Edna H. Johnson, High School, assistant,	200 00
Miss Elrie P. Newcomb, Grammer, Center,	126 00
Miss Katie L. Johnson, Grammer, Center,	200 00
Miss Mary E. Carpenter, Intermediate, Center,	308 00
Miss Edith R. Sellers, Second Primary, Center,	11 50
Miss Martha E. Bemis, Second Primary, Cen.,	310 00
Miss Ethel C. Weatherbee, 1st Primary, Center,	250 00
Miss Blanche Kelley, 1st Primary, Center,	63 00
Miss M. Louise Spencer, North Rutland,	288 00
Miss Grace S. Hathaway, West Rutland,	104 00
Miss Genevieve Doran,	180 00

 \$2,717 50

TRANSPORTATION.

Stephen P. Allen,	\$160 00
F. B. Brown,	58 00
Horace E. Smith,	240
Robert Ploetz,	18 00
Weston R. Upham,	123 50
Deler LaTon,	273 20
Dennis A. Smith,	271 80
Warren G. Wales,	300 00

 \$1,454 50

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

J. C. Hammett & Co	\$ 92 89
D. C. Heath & Co.	11 11
Ginn & Co.	127 43
E. E. Babb & Co.	35 19
Gaylord Bros.	6 00
American Book Co.	9 76
Estabrook & Co.	1 86
Scott & Forsman,	3 38
Oliver Ditson,	3 97
Carter, Rice & Co.	95
John Carter & Co.	3 18
Colesworthy's Book Store,	1 25
For Spring Balance,	65

 \$297 62

SUPERVISION.

Herbert J. Jones, superintendent,	320 20
William C. Temple, committee,	15 00
Dennis A. Smith, committee,	18 75
Louis M. Hanff, committee,	15 00
George S. Putnam, census enumerator,	15 00
William F. Moore, truant officer,	1 00

 \$384 75

PRINTING.

F. S. Blanchard & Co., superintendent's report	\$11 70
The Davis Press Co., patron's day supplies,	2 16
The Davis Press Co., letter heads,	70
The Davis Press Co.	4 83

 \$19 39

REPAIRS.

Dennis A. Smith,	\$16 45	\$16 45
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JANITORS.

B. J. Sprague, $\frac{2}{3}$ janitor's salary at Center,	\$306 67
North Rutland School,	7 75
West Rutland School,	8 25

 \$322 67

FUEL.

Joseph Davis, wood, North Rutland,	\$20 00
George M. Davis, wood, North Rutland,	4 00
Joseph E. Ware, wood, West Rutland,	21 00
Joseph E. Ware, wood, West Rutland,	15 00
Two-thirds fuel and sundries, Centre School,	461 85

 \$521 85

SUNDRIES.

West Rutland School, kindlings, oil, cleaning,	\$ 2 25
Clark-Sawyer Co., mats, pails, etc.	5 92
Town of Paxton, tuition,	18 50
Herbert J. Jones, expenses,	9 73
Express on supplies,	6 21
D. S. Thurston, sundries,	2 35

 \$44 96

STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT.

1905.

January 1. Received from State,	\$1,052 92
March 1. Transferred to general account,	\$1,052 92

SCHOOL CENSUS.

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and the following is his report:

Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, as per School Census, Sept. 1, 1904,	244
Number of boys between the ages of five and fifteen,	143
Number of girls between the ages of five and fifteen,	101
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Number of boys between the ages of seven and fourteen,	101
Number of girls between the ages of seven and fourteen,	79
	<hr/> 180
	<hr/> 424

ROLL OF HONOR.

The pupils named below were neither absent nor tardy for the number of terms specified.

CENTER SCHOOLS. ONE TERM.

Wendell Moulton,	Gordon Calkin,	Edith Cannon,
Lewis Drury,	Parmelee Drury,	Ruth Hadley,
Laura Miles,	Myrna Miles,	Louise Maynard,
Georgia Rich,	Winnie Rich,	Ethel Dickson,
John Newman,	F. Courtney Stone,	Mary B. Dickson,
Teneyck H. Reed,	Maud Cowan,	Thomas Glennon,
Linda Hanff,	Nellie Viner,	Rollin Cannon,
Stephen Manning,	Dan Gleason,	Harold Dickson,
Joseph Cowan,	Gladys Moulton,	May Moulton,
Bessie Pierce,	Marion Welch,	Jeannie Ward,
Joseph Murphy,	Avery Putnam.	

TWO TERMS.

Charlotte Drury,	John Dickson,	Lewis Drury,
Frank Maynard,	Fannie I. Miles,	Earl Griffin,
Christene Reed,	Willie Murphy,	William Wood.

THREE TERMS.

George Putnam,

Annie Welch.

NORTH RUTLAND SCHOOL. ONE TERM.

Edith May Strong.

WEST RUTLAND SCHOOL. ONE TERM.

Delphin Beford,

Edith Bigelow,

Francis Burke,

Gladys Cheever,

Georgiana Taylor.

THREE TERMS.

Inez Taylor.

As will be seen by the financial statement, your Committee have been able to keep practically within the appropriation the past year. The same appropriation for the coming year, if used with strict economy, may be sufficient to support the schools, but an additional sum would make possible the purchase of much needed apparatus at the High School.

We have been obliged to continue the transportation of pupils from West Rutland to the Center, which increases the already large amount, we are obliged to pay for transportation.

We wish to thank the voters and parents of the Town for their hearty support and co-operation during the year, without which the present good results could not have been attained.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS A. SMITH,	} <i>School</i>
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	
LOUIS M. HANFF,	

Rutland, March 1, 1905.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Daniel S. Thurston, Collector and Treasurer, in account with
the Town of Rutland.

RECEIVED.

1904

March	1	Uncollected taxes,	\$6,726 67
	1	Cash on hand,	1,028 08
	4	People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
	7	“ “	1,000 00
	15	“ “	2,000 00
	18	State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 33
	21	People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
	30	“ “	2,500 00
April	1	M. J. Quimby, rent of school-house,	2 50
	2	People's Savings Bank, deposit,	1,272 30
	2	Five Cents Savings Bank, deposit,	1,389 41
	2	Worcester Co. Inst. for Savings, deposit,	1,181 84
	2	Mechanics Savings Bank, deposit,	535 65
	2	Bay State Savings Bank, deposit,	561 63
	5	People's Savings Bank, loan,	500 00
	18	State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 34
	18	People's Savings Bank, loan,	600 00
	18	“ “	2,000 00
May	4	“ “	2,500 00
	4	“ “	1,000 00

May	12	City of Malden,	\$104 12
	14	State Sanitorium,	83 33
June	4	People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
	7	City of Boston, tuition,	66 50
	13	State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 34
	29	People's Savings Bank, loan,	3,000 00
July	15	State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 33
	15	People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,000 00
	30	" "	1,000 00
	31	" "	2,500 00
Aug.	8	James R. Putnam, hay in old cemetery,	2 00
	10	State Treasurer, one-half compensation, cattle inspector,	53 50
	10	Lyman School for Boys, tuition,	50 00
	17	Town of Oakham, one-half boundry stone,	3 00
Sept.	5	City of Malden,	55 31
	5	State Sanitorium, water rent,	83 34
	5	State Treasurer, school supplies,	80 00
	15	J. A. Solandt, stove pipe,	90
	16	State School Superintendent, salary,	250 00
	21	People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
Oct.	5	" "	500 00
	14	State Sanitorium, water rent,	166 67
	18	People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,600 00
	29	" "	1,000 00
Nov.	4	" "	3,000 00
	12	A. B. Pratt, grass on school lot,	1 00
Dec.	5	People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,500 00
	10	State Treasurer, corporation tax,	42 12
	10	" national bank tax,	1 82
	10	" state and military aid,	561 55
	10	" high school,	300 00
	10	" State Board of Charity, tuition,	22 00
	10	County Treasurer, dog fund,	101 00

Dec.	22	M. J. Quimby, rent of school-house,	\$2 50
	29	People's Savings Bank, loan,	3,000 00
	31	State Sanitorium, water rent,	250 00

1905

Jan.	15	People's Savings Bank, loan,	\$2,000 00
	25	State Treasurer, State school fund,	1,052 92
	31	People's Savings Bank, loan,	2,500 00
Feb.	18	" "	600 00
	24	State Sanitorium, water rent,	166 67
	28	People's Savings Bank, loan,	1,000 00
March	1	" "	2,600 00
	1	P. S. O'Connor, coal from water department,	6 64
	1	B. J. Sprague, rents of town hall,	156 85
	1	C. R. Bartlett, supt. of water department,	897 45
	1	Tax bill for 1904,	13,077 57
	1	Interest collected on taxes,	160 38
	1	I. M. Hanff, taxes,	2,951 26
	1	" interest collected,	145 34
	1	Two extra poll taxes,	4 00
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			\$79,331 19

PAID

1904

March	4	People's Savings Bank, note,	\$1,500 00
	4	" interest,	11 25
	6	" note,	1,000 00
	6	" interest,	7 50
	15	" note,	2,000 00
	15	" interest,	22 50
	22	State Treasurer, note,	500 00
	22	" interest,	48 75
	30	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,500 00
	30	" interest,	16 67

April	2	People's Savings Bank, note,	\$5,000 00
	2	“ interest,	100 00
	18	“ note,	2,000 00
	18	“ interest,	30 00
	19	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, interest,	10 00
	19	State Treasurer, interest,	73 13
	20	“ note	500 00
May	1	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, interest,	8 00
	4	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	4	“ interest,	7 50
	4	“ note,	1,500 00
	4	“ interest,	11 25
	5	State Treasurer, interest	218 75
	7	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, on note,	50 00
	14	People's Savings Bank, interest,	45 00
June	4	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, on note,	50 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, note,	3,000 00
	30	“ interest,	45 00
July	1	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, on note,	30 00
	1	People's Savings Bank, interest,	100 00
	8	“ note,	1,000 00
	8	“ interest,	20 78
	15	“ note,	2,000 00
	15	“ interest,	30 00
	30	“ note,	2,500 00
	30	“ interest,	57 50
Aug.	1	“ interest,	180 00
	2	State Treasurer, note,	500 00
	2	“ interest,	403 13
	15	“ note,	300 00
	15	“ interest,	29 25
	31	Jose Parker & Co., interest,	13 13
Sept.	20	State Treasurer, interest,	40 62

Sept.	21	People's Savings Bank, interest,	\$22 50
	21	" note,	1,000 00
Oct.	7	" note,	500 00
	7	" interest,	10 63
	18	State Treasurer, interest,	65 00
	18	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00
	18	" interest,	42 50
	18	" note,	600 00
	18	" interest,	12 75
	24	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, interest,	5 00
	30	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	30	" interest,	10 00
	31	State Treasurer, interest,	210 00
Nov.	2	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, interest,	10 00
	2	E. H. Gay & Co., note,	500 00
	2	" interest,	8 75
	4	People's Savings Bank, interest,	70 00
	10	" note,	3,500 00
	14	" interest,	45 33
	14	One-half County Tax,	385 00
Dec.	3	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, on note,	10 00
	4	People's Savings Bank, note,	1,000 00
	4	" interest,	20 00
	5	" note,	500 00
	5	" interest,	3 33
	10	State Treasurer, state tax,	550 00
	12	One-half County Tax,	385 00
	29	People's Savings Bank, note,	3,000 00
	29	" interest,	60 00
1905			
Jan.	1	People's Savings Bank, interest,	\$280 00
	2	Mabelle and Ethel M. Heald, on note,	10 00
	2	Hersom Bros., interest,	26 25
	15	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,000 00

Jan.	15	People's Savings Bank, interest,	\$40 00
	30	" note,	2,500 00
	30	" interest,	70 00
Feb.	2	State Treasurer, interest,	393 75
	17	" "	24 38
	20	People's Savings Bank, note,	2,600 00
	20	" interest,	34 67
	28	" note,	1,000 00
	28	" interest,	13 33
March	1	Jose Parker & Co., note,	300 00
	1	" interest,	13 13
	1	Uncollected taxes, 1903,	2,836 04
	1	" 1904,	6,334 25
	1	Abatements, taxes, 1903 and 1904,	339 83
	1	457 Selectmen's orders,	13,534 03
	1	Cash to balance,	2,996 03
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			\$79,331 19

1904

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND.

1904

March 1	Balance in Five Cents Savings Bank, \$100 00	
	Dividend,	3 50
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		\$103 50
March 1	Paid W. C. Temple,	3 50

1905

March 1	Balance in Bank,	\$100 00
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Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL S. THURSTON,
 By ETHEL B. THURSTON,
Collector and Treasurer.

Rutland, March 1, 1905.

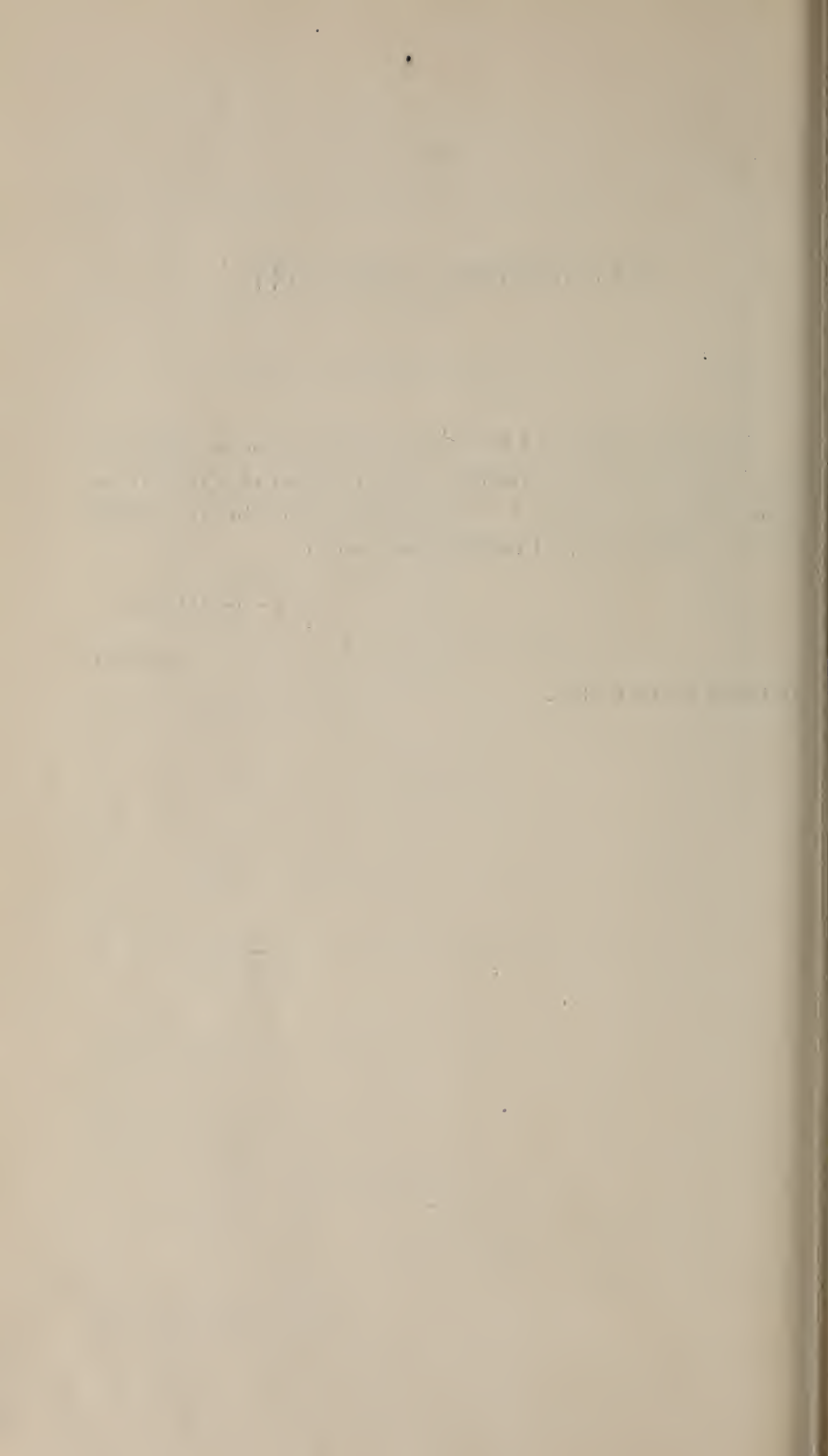
AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, and Superintendent of Water Department, for the year ending March 1, 1905, and that I find the same correct.

A. F. BROWN,

Auditor

Rutland, March 1, 1905.



ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton and Rutland:

My fifth annual report as your superintendent of schools is herewith presented. I trust that the report may prove of interest, not only to you, but also to the large body of intelligent, public-spirited citizens, of whom you are the chosen representatives.

In any group of schools there are usually some weak spots due to the teachers' deficiencies in power to manage or to teach, to lack of interest on the part of parents, or to other causes. I am pleased to say that such "weak spots" in the schools of this union are fewer in number and less serious in character than at any time since I began my work among you. The year just closed has been marked by harmonious and earnest effort on the part of all connected with the schools, and as a result of such effort considerable progress may be reported.

ATTENDANCE.

In the "summary" inserted below, and in the detailed tables which follow, the reader is asked to note particularly

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

	HOLDEN.	OAKHAM.	PAXTON.	RUTLAND.	Total.
No. enrolled since September 1, 1904..	549	98	84	264	995
Average membership for year.....	522.7	84.5	71.0	224.9	904
Average attendance for year.....	476.3	79.8	63.9	201.7	821.7
Per cent. of attendance for year.....	91.1	94.4	88.9	89.7	91
Per cent. of attendance for last year..	89.1	92.2	85.7	85.6	88.1

STATISTICAL TABLES. HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS, 1904-'05	No. Weeks in term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
High School.....	A. K. Learned, Prin. Marion E. Bascom, Assistant	Spring ..	11	51.3	45.8	89.5	.....	21
		Fall	16	59.0	55.5	94.0	.....	54
		Winter..	12	56.7	50.2	88.5	90.7	31
Center Grammar..	Marion L. Mann.....	Spring ..	13	38.8	36.4	93.8	.....	20
		Fall	16	34.4	32.4	94.2	.....	7
		Winter..	8	34.1	29.7	87.1	92.0	9
Center Primary...	Margery A. Rice.....	Spring ..	12	36.0	33.0	91.6	.....	63
		Fall	16	41.0	38.0	92.5	.....	40
		Winter..	8	40.6	35.3	86.9	90.3	47
Jefferson, Higher.	Adella L. Adams.....	Spring ..	12	15.0	14.0	95.3	.....	25
		Fall	16	22.4	20.8	92.7	.....	52
		Winter..	8	21.4	17.9	83.9	90.3	17
Jefferson, Room 4.	Clara K. Bascom.....	Spring ..	12	34.5	31.7	91.9	.....	29
		Fall	16	40.1	37.8	94.2	.....	57
		Winter..	8	34.7	31.4	90.5	92.2	19
Jefferson, Room 3.	Elizabeth Hoxie.....	Spring ..	12	35.8	33.2	92.0	.....	36
		Fall	16	39.5	37.7	95.3	.....	38
		Winter..	8	38.6	32.8	84.5	90.6	17
Jefferson, Room 2.	Esther C. Hendricks.	Spring ..	12	38.7	36.7	93.6	.....	25
		Fall	16	41.4	38.8	93.7	.....	36
		Winter..	8	38.6	28.9	74.6	87.3	11
Jefferson, Room 1.	Mary L. Gove.....	Spring ..	12	33.0	31.5	88.4	88.4	18
		Fall .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Winter..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chaffin Grammar..	Marion E. Jones.....	Spring ..	12	29.3	26.6	91.2	.....	3
		Fall	16	31.9	29.8	93.4	.....	0
		Winter..	7	31.7	28.3	90.4	91.7	1
Chaffin Primary...	Mabel C. Reid.....	Spring ..	12	27.9	26.5	93.5	.....	0
		Fall	16	26.6	24.9	94.5	.....	0
		Winter..	8	26.1	19.9	76.2	88.1	1
Quinapoxet Grammar	Ida G. Abbott.....	Spring ..	12	28.6	26.1	91.1	.....	25
		Fall	16	29.2	27.8	93.2	.....	30
		Winter..	8	25.8	24.7	95.8	93.4	15
Quinapoxet Primary	A. Florence Kirby ...	Spring ..	12	34.0	30.3	90.0	.....	8
		Fall	16	33.0	30.8	94.0	.....	10
		Winter..	8	32.0	30.5	94.0	92.7	6
North Woods.....	Margaret V. Gray....	Spring ..	12	22.4	21.7	96.8	.....	35
		Fall	14	22.3	19.7	88.3	.....	17
		Winter..	10	22.3	20.6	92.3	92.6	23
Springdale.....	Mary G. Cahill.....	Spring ..	12	20.3	19.2	94.4	.....	3
		Fall	16	20.5	18.7	91.2	.....	19
		Winter..	8	21.5	17.1	83.4	89.6	14
Dawson.....	M. Agnes Dolan.....	Spring ..	12	17.1	16.1	94.3	.....	23
		Fall	16	17.2	15.9	93.5	.....	17
		Winter..	8	17.9	15.1	84.5	90.4	0
South.....	Sadie I. Packard.....	Spring ..	12	24.8	23.9	96.3	.....	30
		Fall	16	20.5	19.9	97.4	.....	51
		Winter..	8	20.8	18.7	89.8	94.5	73
Unionville.....	May E. Lamberton...	Spring ..	12	24.0	21.1	88.1	.....	15
		Fall	16	24.2	21.7	89.4	.....	34
		Winter..	8	24.8	21.1	84.5	87.3	38

PAXTON.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Terms 1904-05.	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
Grammar	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Spring ..	17	13.2	11.7	88.3	.....	67
	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Fall	11	18.4	17.6	93.3	.....	41
	Jennie R. Burnham ..	Winter..	9	18.9	17.0	89.9	90.5	92
Intermediate	M. Alice Converse....	Spring ..	17	25.7	21.5	83.6	.....	98
	M. Alice Converse....	Fall	11	28.6	26.4	92.2	.....	38
	M. Alice Converse....	Winter..	9	27.3	24.4	89.1	88.3	54
Primary	Annie C. Pottle.....	Spring ..	17	22.8	20.3	89.0	.....	57
	Minnie F. Hodgkins..	Fall	11	33.2	30.0	90.5	.....	21
	Minnie F. Hodgkins..	Winter..	8	27.6	22.9	82.5	87.3	19

RUTLAND.

High School	Bertram A. Albro, Principal	Spring ..	14	17.3	16.6	96.0	.....	22
	Edna H. Johnson, Assistant	Fall	11	27.3	24.4	89.4	.....	28
		Winter..	16	28.3	25.2	88.7	91.3	69
Senior Grammar.	Elrie P. Newcomb....	Spring ..	12	32.5	30.4	90.3	.....	37
	Katie L. Johnson....	Fall	11	46.9	43.0	91.6	.....	120
	Katie L. Johnson....	Winter..	9	43.5	38.1	87.4	89.7	86
Senior Intermediate	Martha E. Bemis....	Spring ..	12	44.8	40.5	90.4	.....	60
	Martha E. Bemis....	Fall	11	36.8	33.4	90.6	.....	63
	Martha E. Bemis....	Winter..	9	34.9	30.4	87.0	89.3	60
Senior, 2d Prim...	Mary E. Carpenter...	Spring ..	12	31.5	28.9	91.2	.....	6
	Mary E. Carpenter...	Fall	11	24.2	27.0	94.6	.....	24
	Mary E. Carpenter...	Winter..	9	30.6	27.5	89.1	91.6	38
Senior, 1st Prim...	Ethel C. Wetherbee..	Spring ..	12	31.1	27.3	85.8	.....	39
	Ethel C. Wetherbee..	Fall	11	29.2	26.7	91.4	.....	11
	Blanche Kelley.....	Winter..	9	24.7	19.5	79.1	85.4	20
North Rutland....	M. Louise Spencer...	Spring ..	12	26.7	24.7	92.0	.....	36
	M. Louise Spencer...	Fall	11	32.7	27.1	84.0	.....	76
	M. Louise Spencer...	Winter..	9	30.5	24.5	80.0	85.3	107
West Rutland	Grace S. Hathaway...	Spring ..	13	34.0	31.0	88.0	.....	7
	Genevieve Doran....	Fall	11	33.6	30.0	92.7	.....	18
	Genevieve Doran....	Winter..	9	33.7	29.0	86.0	88.9	9

OAKHAM.

Senior Grammar.	Florence E. Bothwell.	Spring ..	10	17.1	16.4	96.0	.....	10
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Fall	11	17.8	17.4	96.0	.....	18
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Winter..	11	22.5	20.7	92.0	94.7	38
Senior Primary...	Mrs. Minnie M. Day..	Spring ..	10	22.9	22.4	96.6	.....	1
	Mrs. Minnie M. Day..	Fall	11	17.9	17.3	96.0	.....	4
	Mrs. Minnie M. Day..	Winter..	11	15.7	14.5	92.5	95.0	7
Oldbrook.....	Blanche E. Packard..	Spring ..	10	15.2	14.7	96.0	.....	7
	Ruth E. Butterfield..	Fall	11	17.2	16.4	95.3	.....	3
	Ruth E. Butterfield..	Winter..	11	15.9	15.3	96.2	95.8	4
South	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Spring ..	10	17.3	15.9	91.9	.....	2
	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Fall	11	19.3	18.8	97.4	.....	9
	Nellie E. Gueley.....	Winter..	11	19.1	17.0	86.0	91.8	12
West	Ruth E. Butterfield..	Spring ..	10	13.0	12.5	96.0	.....	0
	Alma G. Russell	Fall	11	11.3	10.4	92.2	.....	24
	Alma G. Russell	Winter..	11	11.4	9.7	84.8	91.0	53

the "per cent. of attendance." These figures are the best indication of the degree to which the members of the schools actually enjoy their privileges. For example, Rutland's per cent. for the year, 89.7, means that for each one hundred pupils belonging to the schools more than ten are absent every day.

Secretary Martin says: "Where the absences average ten per cent. year after year, there is indication of looseness of administration." For five years at least there has been this average absence in two of our towns. In that time Oakham has never gone below 92, and this year its per cent. is 94.4. With equal interest on the part of parents and children, other towns should approach that figure.

As usual, a large part of the absence is chargeable to a comparatively few families. I shall furnish the committees a list of those pupils who have been absent unexcused for more than ten half days in a period of six months. For the parents of such children the law provides a penalty. I presume that Mr. Martin has in mind, in his remark quoted above about "looseness of administration," the failure to deal properly with such parents. Some special activity on the part of the truant officers is doubtless needed among us.

It is gratifying to note that the "summary" shows an increase in the per cent. of attendance over last year in every town. With the exception of one town, Holden, for one year, the per cent. is larger than in any previous year of my supervision. The average for the union, 91, is the same as the State average last reported. With continuance of effort on the part of interested parents, and with proper attention given to the negligent ones, we hope another year may show a still greater gain. A large reduction of the number of cases of tardiness, recorded in the last column of the tables, is also very desirable, and united effort to that end will be sought during the coming year.

TOWN NOTES.

I here insert some notes regarding particular towns. Following these will be found other matter which is of interest to the citizens of the entire superintendency union.

HOLDEN.

Attendance.—An increase of thirty-one in the average membership of the schools, and of two per cent. in the per cent. of attendance, is pleasant to note. At North Woods the school was closed for two weeks on account of scarlet fever in one family. The teacher, Miss Gray, has generously made up the lost time at her own expense.

Failure to warm rooms often affects attendance. Aside from some complaint at the Centre, no trouble from that source has been experienced. Mr. Thaddeus Clark, janitor at Jefferson, deserves special mention for his care and faithfulness for this and many winters.

Holden parents are requested to run their eyes down the last column in the table, and to resolve that there shall be less tardiness next year. I see no good reason for more anywhere than the Chaffin schools show.

Teachers.—At Jefferson, the suggestion mentioned in this report last year was carried out, and in September the five rooms were condensed to four, with two grades in each room. This makes one less teacher employed in the town, the number now being seventeen. Of these, seven have been engaged during the year. Nearly all who have left us accepted more attractive positions elsewhere. The last to leave was Miss Mabel C. Reid, who had served in the primary room at Chaffin for seven years. On account of her long service and marked efficiency, her loss was particularly regretted. All the new teachers have proved successful.

The High School.—The following received the diploma of the school in June last: Annie C. Buck, Mary A. David, Ervin L. Maynard, Della S. Scott, Luella Morrow, Martha T. Lindgren, Jennie L. M. Hendricks, Daniel M. Shewbrooks, Sarah B. Marsh.

No class will be graduated next June, no class having entered in 1901. It is expected that about twenty pupils will enter the ninth grade next September, thus making five classes in the school, with about eighty pupils in all. It is evident that the employment of a third teacher will be im-

perative, if the present efficiency of the school is to be maintained. Of course all citizens of Holden will rejoice at the growth of the high school, and will cheerfully provide the funds for the needed increase of the teaching force.

All but ten of the pupils in the high school classes are taking the Latin course. With the present teaching force it is found impracticable to give those not taking Latin the full equivalent of that subject in other lines. The English course should be strengthened by the addition of more work in science and history than is now offered. When a third teacher is employed this improvement may be made.

RUTLAND.

Attendance.—The summary shows a decrease of ten in the average membership, but the same average attendance as last year. The regularity of attendance is therefore greater.

The difficulty experienced last winter in warming the rooms at the Centre has been entirely removed, and this has favorably affected attendance. A glance at the tables will show great need of further improvement. The town still loses more than ten per cent. of its school investment through non-attendance.

Teachers.—Of the eight teachers on the list a year ago, just one, the principal of the high school, remains in our service. All who left us, except one, were called to more lucrative positions elsewhere. Our short school year, the moderate weekly salary we pay, and the high cost of living in Rutland conspire to make it easy for other towns to win away our good teachers. Melrose, Attleboro, Natick, Millbury, and Gardner have each taken one or more teachers from Rutland within two years.

It is evident that our progress is seriously hampered by frequent changes of teachers. We ought to have for our own children the increased teaching power which lengthened service alone can give. I see no way to retain superior teachers except through an increase of salaries. For the present I strongly recommend that the increase take the form of a lengthened school year. With three or four weeks added to

the present thirty-two weeks, our positions would gain somewhat in attractiveness to the kind of teachers we want. The towns which give their children only the amount of schooling which the law compels, are diminishing in number, and are mostly in Berkshire County. I suggest that it is time for the progressive town of Rutland to move out of that class.

It should be added that our present teachers are proving efficient, and that the work is proceeding as satisfactorily as in any previous year of my superintendency.

The High School.—The committee's application for the special State grant to assist the town in maintaining a legal high school, was acted upon favorably by the State Board, and the sum of \$300 was received. This is on last year's account. The school has not yet been inspected for the present year, but Mr. J. W. MacDonald, the agent in charge of the matter, writes me as follows:

If the school has two teachers, keeps forty weeks, and I find the pupils studious and the teaching efficient, as it ought to be, there need be no fear of its not being approved, but I can give no pledge to that effect till I make my final report.

I consider the condition of the high school as decidedly better than it was last year, and therefore expect the State grant to be continued. No better plan than the present one of properly providing for the schooling of the young people who reach the high school is yet available.

The length of the high school year is now by law forty weeks. The short year in the schools below renders it exceedingly difficult to give the classes entering the high school adequate preparation for the advanced work. It is hoped that this difficulty will be at least partially remedied soon.

The school now has twenty-eight pupils. Sixteen are taking the Latin course, and twelve the English. A class of five are candidates for graduation next June. In both the amount and the quality of the work they will have completed, they compare favorably with graduating classes of other high schools.

OAKHAM.

Attendance.—Three schools in Oakham are above any other in the union in regularity of attendance. They are, in order, Coldbrook, at 95.8 per cent., Centre primary, at 95, and Centre grammar, at 94.7. South school, Holden, is now fourth, at 94.5.

The conditions in Oakham are not exceptionally favorable, and the result seems mainly due to the faithfulness of Oakham parents and the sturdiness of the children.

Teachers.—In September, Miss Ruth Butterfield was transferred from the West school to Coldbrook to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Blanche Packard; Miss Alma Russell was placed in charge of the West school. Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis was given a leave of absence for the winter term on account of illness, and Miss Nellie Gueley was employed as a substitute.

The problem of securing teachers for the Oakham schools has been simplified by the employment wholly of residents of the town. This practice, when followed for a series of years, is often a hindrance to progress. Such a result should be guarded against by requiring in local candidates as high qualifications as to scholarship, training, and efficiency as would be required of other candidates. Fortunately the schools of Oakham are well cared for in this respect.

The School Year.—Oakham still belongs to the small class of towns which limit the length of the year's schooling to the number of weeks required by law. According to the last report at hand, Rutland, Charlton, and Westminster are the only other towns in Worcester County in that class. Most of the remainder are in Berkshire County. Of Oakham's near neighbors, Barre, Petersham, and New Braintree each have thirty-six weeks, Paxton thirty-seven weeks, Hubbardston thirty-five weeks, and Phillipston thirty-eight weeks. The average length of the year for the whole State is thirty-seven weeks, or five more than the law requires.

The large share of the State school fund now enjoyed by Oakham and other small towns, makes the lengthening of the

year financially feasible. I trust that the town is now ready to take this advanced step. I suggest that one week be added to the coming spring term, and that the year beginning in September be at least thirty-five weeks long.

PAXTON.

Attendance.—The figures in the summary show that the town is still losing the benefit of about eleven per cent. of its school expenditure on account of non-attendance. Loss on this account has been reduced during the year, but it would seem that with satisfactory transportation of the children at a distance the loss might be reduced much more. The school registers show what families are delinquent.

Teachers.—The intermediate and grammar rooms retain the same teachers, but the primary room has had six different teachers in two years. Miss Minnie Hodgkins took this room in September, but in December was obliged to take a leave of absence on account of illness. Miss Emma L. Brennan is acting as substitute till Miss Hodgkins' return.

Miscellaneous.—The recommendation of previous reports for new blackboards in all the rooms, is renewed. A cheaper material than natural slate might be used if desired.

The schools have been in session thirty-seven weeks since the last report. This lengthening of the school year is one of the ends in view in the generous aid now given by the State to the small towns.

It is hoped that several pupils from the present ninth grade may enter a Worcester high school in September next.

THE FUNCTIONS OF THE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

Every town and city in Massachusetts is required by law to employ a superintendent of schools. Towns having a valuation of less than two and one-half million dollars are required to form unions for such employment. The one detail of the duties of the superintendent prescribed by law is the approval of "age and schooling certificates," a duty which has to do with children who are leaving the schools, rather than with those who are in them. The superintendent's other

functions are summed up by the law in the phrase, "the care and supervision of the public schools." and these functions are to be exercised "under the direction and control of the committee."

It is not strange that the three hundred fifty-three school committees of the Commonwealth should develop divergent views regarding the powers and duties of the superintendent. In some cases he is mainly the clerk and errand-boy of the committee; in others the committee practically delegate to him all their prerogatives. Most superintendents find themselves, regarding their powers, somewhere between these two extremes.

In the absence of legal definition, a common conception of the superintendent's proper function is growing up among us. This common conception should be found, if anywhere, at the office of the Board of Education at the State House. The Secretary of the Board, Mr. George H. Martin, in the last report, thus writes regarding the superintendent:

The State (in making supervision compulsory) has simply recognized the fact that under the changed conditions of civil life, education has become a more complex process than it used to be, and that a system of public schools, to be effective, must have the same kind of expert service that has been found necessary in all other public and private affairs of any magnitude. * * * * A school superintendent is a person whose profession is to create school ideals, to set up school standards, and to hold teachers up to them. * * * * The fact remains that any substantial progress may be hoped for only by a general uplift of the teachers already in service. * * * * For this the superintendents are primarily responsible. This is what they are for.

The superintendent must instruct in principles and train in practice. His influence must be to enlighten, to stimulate, to encourage, and to restrain. The means will be private advice and suggestions, public meetings, directions as to books to be read, and quiet insistence upon study.

Your superintendent recognizes his chief function as having to do with the *educational* side of school work, as pointed out by Mr. Martin. His committees have imposed upon him no duties which interfere with this function, and have given him all the powers which he has cared to use.

SUPERVISORY METHODS.

In dealing with teachers, the superintendent must adapt his methods to general conditions and to individual cases. Occasionally he finds fossilization so far advanced that attempts to produce marked change are practically useless. But most teachers realize the possibility and necessity of perpetual growth in teaching power, and welcome whatever may contribute to that end. Three means only of influencing the growth of a teacher are here mentioned.

School Visitation.—Nearly all the time of the superintendent when schools are in session is spent in the school rooms. Here the work is observed, classes are tested, illustrative lessons given, and suggestions in teaching and management given the teacher. Criticism is intended to be constructive and includes praise for excellencies, as well as the pointing out of errors. Often suggestions are written in a book kept for the purpose in every teacher's desk. A few extracts from these books will give an idea of the spirit and possible matter of the superintendent's suggestions:

Did you know that you are in danger of falling into the common habit of "echoing" pupils' answers? A pupil says "five" and you say "five." Use every means of cutting down your speech. "Any device is good which shuts the mouth of the teacher and opens the mouth of the pupil." Save your words for the well-planned oral lesson. Then they will *count*.

The appearance of your school to-day and your own style and manner impress me again with the marked gain in efficiency you have made this year. Of course such a gain is the result of *thoughtful, purposeful* effort. You are making good progress "along the infinite line of unrealized possibilities."

The neatness evident in your school is very pleasing to me. The well arranged pictures, the window decorations, the tidy desk, the nicely covered writing books, all show that you appreciate the value of training children in *neatness*.

This matter of getting children to speak distinctly and with sufficient volume to be heard easily by anyone not accustomed to their voices, is a difficult problem, but you can solve it. *Drill* on a short *memorized* selection, with a view of building up an ideal of good speaking, will be useful. Let me hear some such "memory gems" the next time I come. I think you are making progress in the matter. Stick to it.

Each paragraph above is taken from a different book.

The Teacher's Reading.—Suppose you were to ask a young man who has just put out a sign reading, "John Smith, M.D.": "Sir, did you ever read a medical book?" You would excuse his anger at the absurd question. Yet I have repeatedly asked a young teacher, "Have you ever read a pedagogical book?" The answer would be "No." with no sense of absurdity in either question or answer. I have discovered teachers of many years' experience who could hardly distinguish a pedagogical book from any other. But the twentieth century teacher is a reader of the large and growing literature of her business. Some of the superintendent's most fruitful work is in calling attention to some of this particularly appropriate literature. It is true that a few teachers do not read it unless they know that an examination on it is pending, but many cases have been met where the surer grasp of principles which such reading has given, has resulted in marked improvement in the daily school room work.

Teachers' Meetings.—Five general meetings a year are held in each town, with group meetings as occasion requires. To make the meetings more valuable, a previous study of topics is usually expected, with review and further study subsequently. Teachers are expected to have ideas on such topics as the following, and to hold these ideas so clearly as to be able to *state* and *apply* them:

The Aims of the Language Course, Training the Power of Effective Speech, A Plan for Teaching Penmanship, The True Function of the Text-book, The Art of Book Study—How it is Learned, The Meaning of Apperception, Applied Apperception.

Though much remains to be desired, I may safely say that for "professional spirit" and consequent effort for improvement, the group of teachers in your service compares very favorably with any similar group elsewhere.

THE COURSE OF STUDY.

In last year's report a rather full outline of our general plan of study was printed. This plan includes all the subjects required by law and several others that are firmly established by intelligent public opinion. A few comments on some of these subjects are here inserted.

Arithmetic.—During the year a complete course based upon the text-books in use has been prepared by the superintendent and placed in the hands of teachers. It is considered as good as we are at present prepared to put into practice.

Geography.—Special attention has been given to the beginnings of the course in this subject. These beginnings should consist largely in direct observation of the geographical features to be found in the pupil's immediate environment. Such observation is the best possible preparation for *vital* study of the material of the subject which is beyond direct observation.

Physiology and Hygiene.—This subject, required by law, is provided for by a series of at least thirty oral lessons during the winter. Outlines for the series are furnished by the superintendent. The oral lessons are supplemented by the use of such text-books as are now owned by the towns. These books are very old and deficient in number. Fresh, up-to-date books in the subject should be provided for the upper grades, at least, next year.

Nature-Study.—The growing prominence of this subject is indicated by the recent establishment of "The Nature-Study Review," a periodical conducted by some prominent school men and specialists, the latter including our own Dr. C. F. Hodge of Clark University.

One of the phases of nature-study which we have found most productive of interest and profit, is the study of living plants in the school room, and in the school and home garden. Garden work has been somewhat extended during the year, and it is hoped that it may become more general during the coming year. One teacher, in her "Report of Work" book, thus writes:

Our special interest and pride has been our garden. Each child was given a plot three feet square. This year we tried to have some system in planting the seeds. The extra time and pains taken were quite noticeable in the appearance of the garden.

Out of thirty-eight children in my room, I find thirty have either flower or vegetable gardens *at home*. All the children have thoroughly enjoyed the work, and it certainly has been a real pleasure to me.

Another teacher writes:

For the extra thought and care involved in having a school garden, one is more than repaid when she sees the real delight expressed in many childish ways. * * * * Our garden was not only a never-failing source of pleasure, but a most excellent help from an ethical point of view. * * * * Sixty-one per cent. of the pupils in the Jefferson school had home gardens on June 1st.

Other lines of nature-study have been carried on, the results varying, as in all subjects, with the varying degree of intelligence and enterprise in the several teachers.

Vocal Music.—I was able to record last year a definite advance in the systematic teaching of this subject. This year the work has been extended till about seven-eighths of the children of the union are enjoying the benefit of lessons in singing. We have no special supervisor of the subject, as is common even in rural towns, but at present most teachers are competent without one to do work decidedly worth while. A supervisor for a combination of towns should be a development of the future.

One definite aim in supervision of instruction is to keep the course well balanced, by strengthening the weaker spots and restraining tendency to excess in any line. One of the chief difficulties in administering a course of study is the need of a fuller mastery of subjects on the part of teachers. The problem of "enriching the course" still has underlying it the problem of enriching the teacher.

THE COMPENSATION OF TEACHERS.

Deplore it as we may, the "feminization" of the schools is practically complete. In seeking a teacher, we may assume that she must be a woman. One familiar with school room needs seeks a woman of robust physical health, of good personal appearance, of refined manners, of good taste in dress, and with a general air of culture. She must have a vigorous intellect, trained to service. Her business is to train other minds. Broad scholarship is needed, for her business is to lead others in many fields of knowledge. But teaching and managing a school is a difficult and complex art, demanding severe pre-

liminary training, and a graduate of a normal school is desired. Perhaps the confidence acquired through successful experience elsewhere is also demanded.

What can you pay for the services of this paragon, if you find her? Can you assure her a yearly income sufficient to enable her to live as her work and station in society requires, and to save something for old age and disability, like other skilled workers? Hardly. In the Central Worcester Union to-day she may receive from \$288 to \$432 per year. Few teachers receive more than \$360.

This matter of teachers' salaries is too large for more than mere mention here. Again let us hear from the State House. Secretary Martin writes on this subject:

Higher wages would tend to secure all the elements of efficiency. Abler persons might be drawn from other employments; teachers could afford to spend longer time in preparation and so gain in scholarship and training; they could be held longer in service and so gain experience; and they could afford to avail themselves of forms of self-culture now beyond their means, and thus grow in efficiency. Fortunately the country at large is awakening, though slowly, to the fact that the teachers make the schools, and that in the last analysis the success of the public school system is a matter of wages.

In the prevalent discussion of the salary question, appeals to justice and philanthropy very properly appear. But to rural school authorities a plain business proposition obtrudes itself. Certain very important work must be done, and a certain order of ability is required. Persons with the requisite ability are limited in number. The price of such ability is rising. We must pay the price, or be content with less valuable service than we desire.

All citizens who see further than the surface of things, agree with President Eliot when he says: "The function of the public schools remains by far the most important municipal function in our country." Such citizens are therefore interested in matters affecting the schools, and I trust may

read this report. The closest inspection of the schools themselves in actual session is earnestly invited.

The loyal co-operation of my associates and the continued support of the several committees, are again gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES.

Holden, Mass., March 11, 1905.

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR
C. R. BARTLETT

TOWN CLERK
L. M. HANFF

SELECTMEN

C. R. BARTLETT, H. E. WHEELER, W. C. TEMPLE

ASSESSORS

G. S. PUTNAM D. A. SMITH O. E. BROWN

OVERSEERS OF POOR

D. F. SMITH J. E. WARE M. HOLDEN

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

D. A. SMITH L. M. HANFF W. C. TEMPLE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

C. R. BARTLETT W. T. BROWN M. HOLDEN

BOARD OF HEALTH

W. E. CHAMBERLAIN D. P. BUTLER W. A. WHEELER

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

F. D. FORBUSH

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

W. C. TEMPLE Mrs. G. B. MUNROE Mrs. L. Q. SPAULDING

CONSTABLES

L. M. HANFF J. W. MOULTON D. A. SMITH P. O'CONNOR

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

L. M. HANFF, appointed Treasurer pro-tem

A. B. PRATT, elected Treasurer and Collector

C. W. DODGE, appointed Treasurer and Collector to fill unexpired term of
A. B. Pratt

AUDITOR

F. H. THAYER

TREE WARDEN

G. H. MILES

OFFICES APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN UNDER VOTE OF TOWN

CATTLE INSPECTOR

G. S. PUTNAM

MEAT AND PROVISION INSPECTOR

G. S. PUTNAM

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

J. E. WARE J. R. PUTNAM G. A. HATSTAT A. E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

G. H. MILES C. J. DAVIS J. E. O'LEARY

POUND KEEPER

C. R. BARTLETT

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

L. M. HANFF

FENCE VIEWERS

L. M. HANFF A. B. FISHER N. I. SARGENT

SOLDIERS' BURIAL AGENT

D. F. SMITH

SEXTON

R. C. PRESCOTT

SPECIAL POLICE

W. F. MOORE B. J. SPRAGUE G. S. PUTNAM J. SCOTT

WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To J. WARREN MOULTON, Constable of the Town of Rutland, in the County of Worcester.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, in said Rutland, on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for three Selectmen for one year, for three Assessors for one year, for three Overseers of Poor for one year, for a Town Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for five Constables for one year, for an Auditor for one year, for one member of the School Committee for three years, for one member of the Water Commissioners for three years, for one member of the Water Commissioners for one year, for one Trustee of Public Library for three years, for one member of the Board of Health for three years, for

a Surveyor of Highways for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may be closed at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see if the Treasurer of the town shall be Collector of Taxes, and determine the compensation of the same.

ART. 8 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for support of poor, for state and military aid, for salaries of town officers, for use on memorial day, for contingent expenses and paying debts.

ART. 9 To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 10 To see if the town will enforce the Sunday Law against Hunting and Fishing.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the Water Department on account of Hydrant Service.

ART. 12 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money for maintainance of Street Lights, or act thereon.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to purchase a new Road Machine, or act thereon.

ART. 14 To see if the town will vote to establish any districts or territory within the town, where it shall not be lawful to establish or maintain any Public or Private Sanitoria Hospitals or Boarding Houses, for the reception and care of tubercular patients, or act anything thereon.

ART. 15 To see what action shall be taken in regard to the uncollected taxes remaining in the hands of former town Treasurers and Collector.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to have the Collector of Taxes, also serve as collector of Water Rents, or act thereon.

ART. 17 To see if the town will vote to employ an expert accountant to examine our town books.

ART. 18 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for Co-operative Surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 19 To see if the town will take any action with regard to marking Historical spots.

ART. 20 To see if the town will vote any instructions to any of its town officers.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of said town. One at each post office and one at the Congregational Church in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not to make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirteenth day of March, one thousand, nine hundred and six.

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
H. EDWARD WHEELER,	
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending March 1, 1906

Dr.

Paid City of Worcester, for board of Rosa	
Rone at Home Farm,	\$122 40

OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton,	52 00
Worcester City Hospital, for Margaret	
Valley,	44 00
Net expense of supporting poor the past year,	\$218 40

Lugene Burke was thrown on the town as a pauper, but his estate paid all expenses.

ESTATE OF EUGENE BURKE,

Cr.

Received from Estate of Lugene Burke, cash,	\$14 07
of town for work he done,	13 01
from Mrs. Ward, for wood and dishes.	7 00
for furniture,	4 00
	\$38 08

Dr.

Paid Dr. Chamberlain, medical aid,	\$12 00
Roland C. Prescott, for burial,	12 00
for rent,	4 00
Mrs. Ward, for care of Mr. Burke,	5 00
	\$33 00
Balance in favor of the town,	\$5 08

which has been paid to the Treasurer of the town.

D. F. SMITH,	} Overseers of Poor.
J. E. WARE,	
MILES HOLDEN,	

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

The sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) was appropriated by the town for the repairs of roads and bridges.

I submit bills in detail of the expenditures.

In the month of April	\$ 86 50
May	381 75
June	332 94
July	65 43
August	194 06
September	90 70
November	40 30
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	\$1,191 68
Lumber for bridge	21 97
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	\$1,213 65

I have in my possession the following list of tools belonging to the town:

- 1 road machine
- 1 hand scraper
- 6 round pointed shovels
- 1 square pointed shovel
- 4 picks
- 1 stone hammer
- 2 iron bars
- 2 stone forks
- 4 hoes
- 2 stone hooks
- 2 brush scythes
- 1 cleaver

F. D. FORBUSH,
Highway Surveyor

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths were recorded for the year 1905:

BIRTHS

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE
Female,		Jan. 17
Bernardine Colburn,	Thomas H. & Nancy (Gilman) Connor,	Jan. 18
Harold Wilson,	Herman D. & Laura E. (Henderson) Bray,	Jan. 22
Enola Harriet,	Wm. J. & Ella I. (Ware) Aiken,	Feb. 14
Herbert Kenneth,	Lewis R. & Elsie H. (Peabody) Bigelow,	Mar. 28
Phyllis Dayton,	(In Boston) Henry & Caroline (Hood) Levy,	April 4
Genevieve Myrtle,	George M. & Julia L. (Blanchard) Davis,	May 12
Walter Howard,	Peter & Eva G. (Parker) Dame,	May 15
Gertrude Josephine,	Joseph & Lizzie M. (Porter) Scott	June 26
Evelyn Kennen,	Joseph E. & Jennie B. (Kennen) Ware,	July 3
Florence,	Louis & Blanche (Lovely) Guertin,	July 17
Joseph McDonald,	Geo. H. & Mary Etta (McDonald) Miles,	July 19
Female,	(In Worcester) stillborn,	Aug. 5
Ralph Wilford,	Alexander & Adalaide L. (Lawless) Henderson,	Aug. 24
Priscilla Munroe,	John & Mary L. (Foss) Dickson,	Aug. 24
Harold Thomas,	Henry M. & Mary F. (Scott) McEvoy,	Sept. 1
Walter,	Charles E. & Mary A. (Demond) Viner,	Sept. 8
Sylvia Louise,	George Jr. & Mary E. (Cassavant) Desroches,	Oct. 9
Willard Henry,	William H. & Delina O. (Cassavant) Scott	Oct. 10
Edward Edmond,	Frank & Mary A. (Surprise) Berry,	Oct. 12
Frithiof Abel, (Worcester)	Arthur A. & Clara W. (Carlson) Smith,	Dec. 2
Female,	Wm. S. & Anna (Vinal) Dunn,	Dec. 2
Joseph Siro,	Angelo B. & Roseline (Coster) Celle,	Dec. 9

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAMES	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
June 10,	Arthur Goodwin,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Florence L. Locke,		Rutland
June 30,	Louis Ploeff,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Selma Benard,		Rutland
August 24,	Walter J. Marclay,	Princeton, Minn.,	Rutland
	Jessie McMillan,		Minneapolis, Minn.
September 21,	Daniel M. Valley,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Bessie Kinnear,		Rutland
September 25,	Patrick J. Meyers,	Holden,	Rutland
	Beatrice Saulnier,		Rutland
October 19,	William F. Doran,	Wakefield,	Rutland
	Josephene L. Keefe,		Wakefield
October 25,	Chester W. Dodge,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Ella M. Skinner,		Rutland
November 12,	William H. Scott,	Rutland,	Rutland
	Delina Cassavant,		Spencer

DEATHS

DATE	NAME	AGE			RESIDENCE
		y.	m.	d.	
Oct. 12, 1904,	William H. Murphy,	25	—	—	Worcester
Jan. 6, 1905,	Annie S. Hiller,	26	9	9	Mattapoissett
January 29,	Francis Leo Everett,	25	—	—	Haverill
February 1,	James Robert Henderson,	25	9	—	Boston
February 2,	Oliver Carter Fairbanks,	89	—	16	Rutland
February 6,	Stephen W. Fay,	77	5	22	Rutland
February 8,	Michael Francis Carney,	35	3	5	Boston
February 9,	Jessie Viola Moulton,	17	6	4	Rutland
February 15,	In Worcester. John Kelley,	48	—	—	Rutland
February 23,	Manuel J. Nunes,	30	11	28	New Bedford
March 1	William H. Rose,	18	4	3	Dighton
March 1,	Nancy Heard Temple,	83	4	—	Rutland
March 7,	Chester B. Donley,	23	5	15	Boston
March 8,	Lillian Mead Porter,	38	9	17	Boston
March 16,	Leon Davis Pierce,	45	6	—	Rutland
March 22,	Henry O. Ude,	31	—	—	Boston
April 20,	Ralph Oliver Waitt,	27	2	18	Malden
May 1,	Persis C. Munroe,	86	—	17	Rutland
May 7,	Jacob Weinberger,	17	4	13	Boston
May 9,	Eli Levin,	24	—	—	Boston
June 4,	Grace Viola Butler,	—	5	9	Rutland
June 9,	William Canfield,	33	—	—	Babylon, N. Y.
July 23,	Michael Thomas Lynch,	22	—	—	Lynn
July 24,	Mary Sharron,	84	—	—	Rutland
August 6,	Mary Gertrude Kinsella,	—	9	—	Boston
August 6,	William T. Brown,	66	—	7	Rutland
August 15,	Emma A. Tenney,	46	10	28	Acton
August 18,	Abijah Brown,	79	2	2	Rutland
August 25,	Bertha E. Beswick,	27	11	30	Somerville
August 5.	Stillborn female, in Worcester,	—	—	—	Rutland
September 12,	Daniel B. Tompkins,	27	2	22	Lowell
September 21,	Frederick James Calway,	20	8	2	Boston
September 30,	Arthur Edson Blaisdell,	22	10	23	Tewksbury
September 30,	Walter Viner,	—	—	24	Rutland
October 2.	Lugene Burke,	65	—	—	Rutland
October 8,	Elizabeth Thayer,	18	—	14	Quincy
October 11,	Henry J. Brooks,	31	8	—	Boston
October 19,	Elizabeth T. Cannon,	79	3	7	Rutland
November 4,	Robert J. Kincaid,	21	4	23	Salem
November 16,	Gertrude A. Higgins,	27	9	9	Boston
November 28,	Mary Hanlan,	42	—	—	Boston
December 1,	Jeremiah P. Corkery,	26	—	—	Springfield
December 7,	Archie C. Watson, in Worcester,	24	1	28	Rutland
December 8,	Albert B. Pratt,	74	8	15	Rutland
December 13,	Preston Warren Hyde,	83	—	23	Rutland
December 29,	Frank P. Crockett,	17	7	23	Brookline

Number of Dogs licensed during the year 1905:

Received for 9 Females at \$5.00,

\$ 45 00

Received for 98 Males at 2.00,

196 00

\$241 00

Less 107 fees at \$0.20,

21 40

Paid County Treasurer,

\$219 60

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. HANFF,

Town Clerk.

Rutland, March 1, 1906.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RESOURCES

Cash on hand and unexpended balance		
March 1, 1905,	\$ 58 07	
Appropriation,	101 00	
Received from cards and fines,	2 38	
		\$161 45

EXPENDITURES

Paid Librarian's salary,	\$78 00	
Express,	1 25	
for new books,	66 70	
		\$145 95
Balance due from town,		\$15 50

The number of books taken from the library during the year was 2802.

BOOKS HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY

Mrs. Foster and Dr. Alexander F. Chamberlain.
 A Picture of Col. Murray's wife, given by Miss Alice G. Chandler.
 "Harper's Weekly" has been contributed by Mrs. Miles Holden.
 "Success" given by Mrs. Philena Putnam.
 "Ladies Home Journal" given by Mrs. Converse.
 "The Outlook" given by the Misses Munroe.

Eighty volumes have been added to the library by purchase. The following is a list of the titles :

NEW BOOKS ADDED TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

TITLE OF BOOKS	AUTHORS
Harvest of the Sea	W. T. Grenfell
Dr. Grenfell's Parish	Norman Duncan
At the Sign of the Fox	Barbara
Mrs. Trees' Will	Laura E. Richards
Animal Heroes	Ernest Thompson Seton
Song of Our Syrian Guest	George Madden Martin
Conquest of Canaan	Booth Tarkington
Wood Fire in No. 3	F. Hopkinson Smith
Dr. Luke of the Labrador	Norman Duncan
Fairy Tales Every Child Should Know	H. W. Martin
Little Citizens	Myra Kelly
Transfiguration of Miss Philura	F. M. Kingsley
Second Mrs. Jim	Stephen Conrad
The Long Day	A Working Girl
In The Land of the Gods	Alice Mabel Bacon
Wasps Social and Solitary	Peckham
Making of a Man	O. S. Warden
Oliver Cromwell	Theodore Roosevelt
Poems of Robert Browning	
Northern Campfires	Young
Quest of John Chapman	Newell Dwight Hillis
Rose O'The River	Kate Douglass Wiggin
Part of a Man's Life	Hillis
Capn Elri	Joseph C. Lincoln
Dorothy Dainty at the Seashore	Amy Brooks
Lightning Conductor	Williamson
Prospector	Ralph Connor
When Grandma was Fourteen	Marian Harland
Little Princess	Burnett

TITLE OF BOOKS	AUTHORS
An Island Garden	Celia Thaxter
Resurrection of Miss Cynthia	F. M. Kingsley
Blazed Trail	White
Emmy Lou	Martin
Old Gorgon Graham	Lorimer
Among the Isles of Shoals	Clifton Johnson
Seven Lamps of Architecture	Ruskin
Rebecca Mary	Donnell
The Shakespeare Story Book	Mary Macleod
Autobiography of Geo. F. Hoar	
White Umbrella in Mexico	F. H. Smith
Among English Hedgerows	Clifton Johnson
Cherry	Booth Tarkington
Japanese Life, Etc	Gettemy
True Story of Paul Revere	Gettemy
Les Miserables	Victor Hugo
How a Little Girl Went to Africa	
Justice	Charles Wagner
Paradise	Alice Brown
Coming of the Tide	Sherwood
Virgilius	Irving Bacheller
Farm Festivals	Will Carleton
City Festivals	Will Carleton
Five Little Peppers How They Grew	Margaret Sidney
Five Little Peppers, Midway	Margaret Sidney
Five Little Peppers, Grown Up	Margaret Sidney
Phronsie Pepper	Margaret Sidney
Stories Polly Pepper Told	Margaret Sidney
Freedom of Life	
Children's Rights	Kate Douglass Wiggin
Essays and Criticisms	R. L. Stevenson
American Ideals	Theodore Roosevelt
Rhymes of Our Planet	

TITLE OF BOOKS	AUTHORS
New Ethics	Hyde
Faith and Life	Jefferson
Stevenson's Poetical Works	
Loom of Life	Charles F. Goss
School of Life	Henry VanDyke
Robert Hardy's Seven Days	Charles Sheldon
Across Russia	Stoddard
Real Boys	Shute
Right Living A Fine Art	Hillis
Book of Golden Deeds	C. W. Yonge

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Library</i>
MRS. H. R. SPAULDING,	
MRS. SARAH MUNROE,	

Trustees.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending March 1, 1906

FELLOW CITIZENS:

We herewith respectfully submit our following report:

STATISTICS

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age, as per school census of September 1, 1905	237
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1905	252
Average membership for the year	231.3
Average attendance for the year	209.6
Per cent. of attendance	90.6

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER RESOURCES

March 1, 1905, unexpended balance	\$ 106 66
Town appropriation	4,000 00
State, toward Superintendent's salary	312 50
Lyman School, tuition	109 00
State Board of Charity, tuition	64 00
City of Boston, tuition	111 00
Town of Oakham, tuition	20 00
Income Massachusetts School Fund	831 74
State, for High School	300 00
West Rutland Sunday School, for wood	2 50
	\$5,857 40
Overdrawn	74 90
	\$5,932 30

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries	\$2,914 40
Transportation	1,447 35
Books and supplies	273 66
Supervision	424 65
Printing	28 12
Repairs	3 00
Janitors	319 02
Fuel	466 40
Sundries	54 82
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	\$5,932 32

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS' SALARIES

B. A. Albro, High School, principal	\$336 00
Wm. S. Dunn, High School, principal	334 00
Miss Edna H. Johnson, High School, assistant	430 00
Miss Katie L. Johnson, Grammer, center	330 00
Miss Mary E. Carpenter, Intermediate, center	120 00
Miss Beulah Higgins, Intermediate, center	215 00
Miss Blanche Kelley, 1st Primary, center	190 00
Miss Martha E. Bemis, 2d Primary, center	325 00
Miss M. Louise Spencer, North Rutland	108 00
Miss Sarah McManama, North Rutland	34 20
Miss Anna Finnerty, North Rutland	153 00
Miss Genevieve Doran, West Rutland	108 00
Miss Marion Keleher, West Rutland	171 00
Miss Susie O'Connor, substitute	23 00
Miss Emma L. Brennen, substitute	18 00
Miss Josephine V. Judge, substitute	7 20
Miss Nellie Gerrity, substitute	9 00
Miss Phoebe Johnson, substitute	3 00
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\$2,914 40

TRANSPORTATION

Horace E. Smith	\$247 50
Deller Laton	139 20
Dennis A. Smith	73 80
Stephen P. Allen	140 00
George L. Rich	218 70
E. T. George	216 00
Weston R. Upham	165 00
Arthur E. Sargent	156 75
F. B. Brown	72 40
George B. Fuller	18 00
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	\$1,447 35

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett & Co.	\$148 80
E. E. Babb & Co.	1 92
Ginn & Co.	51 63
John Carter & Co.	8 51
D. C. Heath & Co.	23 36
Estabrook Steel Pen Co.	3 72
Schoenhof Book Co.	1 12
American Book Co.	16 08
Gaylord Bros.	2 00
Silver Burdett Co.	16 52
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	\$273 66

SUPERVISION

H. J. Jones, superintendent	\$366 65
Dennis A. Smith, committee	15 00
William C. Temple, committee	7 00
Louis M. Hanff, committee	15 00
George S. Putnam, census enumerator	15 00
George S. Putnam, truant officer	3 50
William F. Moore, truant officer	2 50
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\$424 65

PRINTING

F. S. Blanchard & Co., superintendent's report	\$10 20
The Davis Press, cards and patron's day supplies	13 92
Edward H. Tripp, programmes for school exercises	2 25
Billings & Co., invitations	1 75
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\$28 12

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REPAIRS

George E. Smith, North Rutland	\$3 00	\$3 00
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JANITORS

North Rutland School	5 50	
West Rutland School	7 75	
B. J. Sprague, $\frac{2}{3}$ janitor's salary, center	306 67	
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		\$319 92

FUEL

George M. Davis, wood, North Rutland	\$13 25	
Frank D. Forbush, wood, North Rutland	2 00	
Joseph Davis, wood, North Rutland	1 00	
Joseph E. Ware, wood, West Rutland	15 00	
Two-thirds fuel and sundries, Center School	435 15	
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		\$466 40

SUNDRIES

B. A. Albro, supplies Patron's day	\$2 99	
Louis M. Hanff, cash paid for speaker's expense	6 00	
West Rutland School, broom, basins, etc.	95	
H. J. Jones, office supplies and expenses	13 78	
Express and freight on supplies	3 43	
Heywood Wakefield Co., camp stools	27 67	
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		\$54 82

STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT

1906		
January 25	Received from State Treasurer	\$831 74
March 1	Transferred to general account	831 74
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SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and the following is his report:

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	129
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	108
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	237

Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	92	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	81	
		173
Number of male illiterate minors over 14 years of age	1	
Number of female illiterate minors over 14 years of age	0	
		1

ROLL OF HONOR

The pupils named below were neither absent nor tardy for the number of terms specified:

CENTER SCHOOL. *One term:* Thomas Bates, Mary B. Dickson, Marion Hunt, Harry Gilbert, Edna Hanlon, Marguerite Hanlon, Daniel Murphy, Daniel Gleason, Harold Dickson, Thomas Welch, Grace Smith, Annie Welch, Edith Cannon, Charlotte H. Drury, Rollin Cannon, Ralph Hammond, Nora Hanlon, William Hanlon, John Hitchings, Willie Murphy, Fred Rice, Lillian Upham, Myron Hunt, Eugene Hansen, Esther Wheeler

Two terms: Stephen Manning, Joseph Murphy, George Putnam, Ruth Forbush, Earl Griffin, Linda Hanff, Frank Maynard, Fannie Miles, Nellie Viner, Evelyn Fennell, Evelyn Crosby, John Dickson, Myrna Miles, Nora Gleason, Lewis F. Drury, Wallace C. Forbush, Georgia L. Rich, Winnie G. Rich.

Three terms: Merrill Forbush, Louise Maynard.

NORTH SCHOOL. *One term:* Oliver Davis, John Moulton, Edith Strong, Mable Goodwin, Seldon Hill.

WEST SCHOOL. *One Term:* Charles Taylor, Georgiana Taylor, Inez Taylor, Hazel Taylor, Herbert Bigelow, Edith Hadley, Maud Hadley. (Other terms not reported.)

After the Christmas vacation we consolidated the first primary, second primary and intermediate schools into two schools, doing away with the second primary, and by so doing we were enabled to save the expense of maintaining one school, and to move the high school back into its old quarters. This we were anxious to do, as we found that the hall the high school had been using was very unfit for school purposes, as the light was poor and was affecting the eyes of some of the pupils. Saving a little by this arrangement we were able to add another week to the school year, making thirty-three weeks.

We would respectfully call attention to the cost of transporting pupils to and from our schools, and the cost of maintaining the center school building, brought about by the consolidation of our schools into three buildings. These two items alone take over one-half of the town appropriation for schools. If the citizens desire to maintain the lower grades thirty-four weeks it will require an additional appropriation of \$200, or \$4,200 in all.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS A. SMITH, WILLIAM C. TEMLE, LOUIS M. HANFF,	{ <i>School Committee</i>
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Rutland, March 1, 1906.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR AND TREASURER

A. B. Pratt, Collector and Treasurer, in account with the town of Rutland.

RECEIVED

1905

April	4	L. M. Hanff	\$250 00
	4	D. S. Thurston, by Ethel Thurston	30 16
	8	L. M. Hanff	802 00
	8	L. M. Hanff	314 00
	8	C. R. Bartlett	55 70
	8	Ethel Thurston	226 64
	8	Ethel Thurston	144 15
May	4	Insurance by L. M. Hanff	16 00
	4	Ethel Thurston	150 96
	4	Ethel Thurston	40 00
	17	C. R. Bartlett	172 66
	17	Ethel Thurston	229 75
	17	Ethel Thurston	35 00
June	6	Tuition of State children	64 00
	6	Ethel B. Thurston	375 42
	6	State School, supplies	111 00
April	25	People's Savings Bank	1,000 00
May	4	" " "	3,600 00
	4	" " "	600 00
June	5	" " "	2,500 00
	29	" " "	3,000 00
July	1	" " "	1,000 00
	15	" " "	2,000 00
	31	" " "	2,500 00
	28	" " "	1,000 00
Aug.	8	" " "	500 00
	18	" " "	2,600 00

June	30	District Court of Worcester	\$ 5 00
July	21	Ethel B. Thurston	78 47
	21	C. R. Bartlett	6 00
	21	State Sanitorium	166 66
Aug.	6	D. S. Thurston, J. C. Hammond's bill	49 84
	15	State Treasurer, education of State children	109 00
	15	State Treas., compensation for inspecting annuals	46 00
	23	Thayer & Cobb	502 50
	23	Thayer & Cobb	700 00
June	3	L. M. Hanff	500 00
Aug.	3	L. M. Hanff	242 00
Sept.	4	H. E. Wheeler, for grass	2 00
	6	Jesse Allen, School Superintendent.	312 50
July	5	People's Savings Bank	500 00
Sept.	21	" " " note	1,000 00
	21	Town of Oakham, for tuition	20 00
Nov.	2	People's Savings Bank	4,200 00
	4	L. M. Hanff	100 00
	7	Rent of Hall	178 75
Sept.	19	Bruno & Milano, for water	25 00
	19	" " for coal	17 15
	19	Warrant for 1903 taxes	2210 27
	19	Interest 1903 taxes	56 80
	10	Warrent for 1904 taxes	7,145 82
	19	Interest on 1904 taxes	153 89
	19	Warrant for 1905 taxes	13,955 80
Nov.	18	Surplus unaccounted for	554 69
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			\$56,155 48

PAID

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April	28	People's Savings Bank	\$1,000 00
May	4	" " "	600 00
	4	" " "	3,000 00
une	5	" " "	1,500 00
	29	" " "	3,000 00
uly	1	" " "	1,000 00
	15	" " "	2,000 00

July	31	People's Savings Bank	\$2,500	00
	28	" " "	1,000	00
Aug.	8	" " "	500	00
	18	" " "	2,600	00
April	8	State Treasurer	565	00
	16	Interest on note, State Treasurer	40	63
June	29	People's Savings Bank, interest	280	00
May	4	" " " "	60	00
Aug.	8	" " " "	5	00
	18	" " " "	52	00
July	28	" " " "	10	00
	28	" " " "	50	00
	28	" " " "	20	00
June	29	" " " "	60	00
July	15	" " " "	40	00
June	5	" " " "	30	00
May	5	" " " "	4	00
April	27	" " " "	6	67
May	10	" " " "	45	00
	3	State Note, interest	210	00
July	17	Interest on T. S. Heald's note	10	00
	21	Interest on Town Bond	25	25
	21	P. O. Order	12	
	21	Interest on Mable Heald's note	5	80
	21	Express	10	
Aug.	1	State Treas., note and interest on 22 notes	893	75
	14	State Treas., note and interest on 5 notes	324	37
July	30	J. Parker & Co., interest	6	00
Sept	19	State Treas., interest on 5 notes	40	62
	21	People's Savings Bank, note	1,000	00
	21	" " " interest	20	00
	23	One-half County tax	385	00
Oct.	16	One-half State tax	440	00
	18	Interest on State notes	56	81
	2	" " 13 notes	201	25
	28	" " notes and interest	508	75
Nov.	2	People's Savings Bank, note	4,200	00
	2	Interest on note of \$4,200	84	00
	28	Note on People's Savings Bank	500	00

Nov.	2	Interest, People's Savings Bank	\$6 67
	4	Abatement of Hugh Hammond's Poll tax	2 00
	14	Interest, People's Savings Bank	45 00
	14	Amount of uncollected in 1903	1,514 50
	14	Abatements on 1893 taxes	53 95
	14	1904 taxes uncollected	3,229 02
	14	Abatements on 1904 taxes	334 89
	14	1905 uncollected taxes	8,840 03
Nov.	18	Selectmen's orders	9,712 04
		Cash to balance	3,537 20
			<hr/> \$56,155 48

C. W. Dodge, Treasurer, in account with town of Rutland.

RECEIVED

1905			
Nov.	20	Cash turned over by A. B. Pratt	\$3,537 20
	20	1903 taxes, uncollected	1,514 50
	20	1904 " "	3,229 02
	20	1905 " "	8,840 03
	28	State Sanitorium, water rent	250 00
Dec.	2	Rent of Town Hall	23 00
	12	One-half State tax	433 46
	18	State Sanitorium, water rent	300 00
1906			
Jan	1	State, dog tax	204 23
	1	West Rutland S. S. U., wood	2 50
	6	Rent on Town Hall	27 75
	8	L. M. Hanff, on taxes	50 00
Feb.	3	B. S. Sprague, rent on Town Hall	24 50
	9	Rutland Fire Department	38 00
	16	State Sanitorium, water rent	83 33
	23	C. R. Bartlett, water rent	311 30,
	24	C. R. Bartlett, water rents	98 47

Mar.	1	Rutland Improvement Society	\$19 00
	1	State Treasurer	84
	1	Rent on Town Hall	20 00
	1	State Sanitorium, water rent	250 00
	1	Overseers of the Poor	5 08
	1	Income of State School	831 74
	1	Interest on taxes	32 95
	1	L. M. Hanff, on old taxes	100 00
	1	L. M. Hanff, interest on old taxes	62 89
	1	C. R. Bartlett, water rents	261 51
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			\$20,551 30

PAID

Nov.	29	People's Savings Bank, interest	\$ 45 00
	29	" " " "	33 33
Dec.	2	Ethel Heald, on note	20 00
	5	People's Savings Bank, note	2,500 00
	5	" " " interest	50 00
	6	Abatement on Arthur E. Estabrook's tax 1904	39 00
	6	" Samuel Adams, 1905 tax	5 55
	6	" Charles J Campbell, "	46
	6	" Wm. J. Brodmerkle "	18 50
	6	" Hugh Hammond "	2 00
	13	County Treasurer, one-half county tax	385 00
	23	People's Savings Bank, interest	60 00
	28	Abatements on Moulton Bros., 1905 tax	175 75
	28	" Samuel Adams, 1904 tax	15 60
	29	People's Savings Bank, interest	20 00
1906			
Jan.	1	Ethel M. Heald, on note	20 00
	1	People's Savings Bank, interest	260 00
	16	" " " "	40 00
	23	Hersom Broth, interest	27 25
	28	People's Savings Bank, interest	20 00
	29	State of Mass., interest on \$20,500 note	384 37
	31	People's Bank, interest	20 00
Feb.	8	" " "	10 00
	10	State Sanitorium	59 38

Feb.	10	People's Savings Bank, interest	\$52 00
	15	State Treasurer, interest	19 50
	21	1903 receipted tax, A. B. Pratt to F. B. Cannan,	65 92
	21	1904 " " " to A. C. Wheeler	36 59
	21	Cash to Samuel Adams on overpaid tax	7 97
	24	Corbin & Partridge, on 1905 tax to D. S. Thurston,	3 90
Mar.	1	Jose Parker & Co., interest	6 00
	1	D. R. Dean, 1904 tax paid D. S. Thurston	3 90
	1	M. R. Moulton, 1904 tax paid D. S. Thurston	19 53
	1	D. C. Campbell, 1905 tax paid A. B. Pratt	2 00
	1	Interest on note held by Mabel Heald	15 00
	1	Selectmen' orders	4,787 95
	1	Uncollected taxes, 1903	1,390 25
	1	" " 1904	2,716 47
	1	" " 1905	5,098 85
		Cash on hand	2,114 31
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			\$20,551 30

1906

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

March	1	Balance in Five Cents Savings Bank	\$100 00
	1	Dividend	3 50
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			\$103 50
March	1	Paid W. C. Temple	3 50
	1	Balance in Bank	\$100 00

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. DODGE, *Treasurer.*

Rutland, March 1, 1906.

REPORT OF THE SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT

By vote of the town the Water Commissioners are instructed to extend its water system where ten per cent. income is guaranteed. Acting under these instructions there has been laid fully one mile of pipe (mostly inch pipe) during the year. From Daniel Nihins to Morris Menges, to supply his new house; from the main near W. H. Bartlett's to W. C. Temple's, supplying four patrons on this line; from M. J. Moriarty's to Michael Loughman's, supplying four patrons on that line; from the house of John Stone, (or Derouches,) to his new house, and from the main opposite Public Building to Hose House. The cost of all these extensions being \$1,050, with a guaranteed income of \$120 per year, or nearly twelve per cent. on cost. There are several houses and stables already on these lines that are not connected, which doubtless will be in the near future, which will materially increase the water rentals. Two other patrons have also been added, Wm. J. Prescott and J. S. Huntress, making twelve additions during the year. In all we have eighty patrons outside the State Sanitorium.

The income exceeds that of any former year by over \$200. There has been an agreement between the Trustees of the State Sanitorium and Water Commissioners that a contract shall be made Oct. 1, 1906, when the old contract expires, for \$1,600 per year, an increase of \$600. This increase together with the increase of water rentals from other patrons, will put the Water System on a good paying basis, and will without doubt be able to take care of the annual notes when they become due, which the town has to pay on the water loan.

The service during the year has been all that could be desired, the system affording an abundance of pure water for all uses. There was fear expressed by some of our citizens that when the town of Holden began to take water from the lake, that our supply might be in danger of being lessened, but there does not appear to be any decrease in the water level of the lake, and we are glad to have our neighboring town receive the benefits of the pure water of Muschopauge lake, which the town of Rutland values so highly.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND

SUPPLIES

100 feet inch galvanized pipe
 3 faucets
 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch sidewalk cocks
 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch corporation cock
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch ells
 3 soldering nipples
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tees
 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions
 1 pound solder
 1 service box
 Approximate value, \$25.00

TOOLS FOR TRENCHING

13 picks,
 3 hammers,
 14 spades,
 1 grub axe,
 3 drills,
 4 lanterns,

TOOLS FOR PIPING

1 2-inch die plate,
 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills,
 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps,
 2 W. I. wrenches for sidewalk shut-off,
 2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps,

- 1 1-inch tap,
- 1 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate for $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch and 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch,
- 1 2-inch drill for ratchet,
- 2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch drills,
- 1 1-inch drill,
- 2 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamers,
- 1 1-inch reamer,
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer,
- 1 2-inch Stanwood cutter,
- 1 expander,
- 1 gate wrench,
- 1 B. Miller patent die ratchet plate with 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ dies,
- 1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter,
- 1 18-inch Stillson wrench,
- 1 24-inch Stillson wrench,
- 2 pairs Brown's tongs,
- 1 15-inch Coe's block wrench,
- 1 wall vice,
- 1 wall hinge vice,
- 2 packer's sleeve ratchets,
- 1 iron crow,
- 1 2-inch Walworth cutter,
- 1 tube scraper,

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

COAL

Paid L. M. Hanff,	\$379 55	
Garfield & Proctor,	299 06	
Mass. State Sanitorium,	42 88	
		<hr/> \$721 49
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on coal		261 14
A. C. Wheeler, drawing coal	\$99 37	
William Hammond, drawing coal	9 00	
W. G. Wales, drawing coal	15 83	
		<hr/> \$124 20

WOOD

Edward Viner,	\$22 50	
James Hammond,	7 50	
W. C. Temple,	2 50	
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		\$32 20
Edward Viner, engineers services		527 48

TRENCHING

Bruno & Milano	\$383 68	
William Prescott	25 75	
George Dobbs	69 06	
Daniel McCarthy	55 12	
Frank Forward	33 15	
George Nugent	6 91	
Horace E. Smith	75	
Daniel Nihin	17 50	
Eugene Burke	13 01	
George Austin	15 75	
Charles Parker	14 00	
Lewis Forbush	39 28	
Joseph Strong	50 75	
Wendell Goldthwaite	15 75	
George H. Miles	30 37	
Paul Wellington	47 50	
Edward Viner	1 10	
C. R. Bartlett	12 25	
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		\$831 68

MISCELLANEOUS

Revere Rubber Co., valves and springs	\$20 88
Washburn & Garfield Co., packing, supplies,	28 75
Horace E. Smith, cleaning stand pipe	1 00
John Dickson, repairing leaks and making connections	14 60
Edward Viner, Piping and tapping pipe	30 25
Edward Viner, repairing leaks	5 53
Edward Viner, drawing pipe and express	1 30
W. H. Maynard, repairing leak	2 00
C. R. Bartlett, repairing leak	4 50

C. R. Bartlett, piping	\$3 50
C. R. Bartlett, drawing pipe	2 50
Horace E. Smith, drawing pipe	1 67
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on supplies	3 63
American Express Co., express on supplies	80
C. A. Stone, express on supplies	1 15
Iver Johnson Co., powder and fuse	1 10
Ross Bros., tools	16 88
Michael Loughan, sharpening tools	3 45
Miles Holden, lantern for pumping station	50
Leslie Prescott, clearing rocks from pipe line	3 00
C. R. Bartlett, laying out pipe line	2 50
Mass. State Sanitorium, cylinder oil	14 75
Mass. State Sanitorium, clay and brick for lining boiler	1 75
Walworth Manfg. Co., pipe and fittings	385 87
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	\$551 86
	\$3,050 35

MAINTAINANCE OF WATER DEPARTMENT

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PAID

Interest on water loan	\$900 00
Engineer's services	527 48
For coal	721 49
Freight on coal	261 14
For drawing coal	124 20
For wood	32 50
Washburn & Garfield Co, packing	23 81
Revere Rubber Co., valves and springs	20 88
E. Viner, for repairing leaks	7 18
“ for expense on valves	50
C. R. Bartlett, repairing leaks	4 50
W. H. Maynard, “ “	2 00
H. E. Smith, cleaning out stand pipe	1 00

John Dickson, repairing leaks and connecting pipe for supplying water for State road	\$9 60
Mass. State Sanitorium, for oil and brick	16 50
C. Stone, for express on supplies	1 15
	<hr/> \$2,653 93

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RECEIVED, AND DUE

From Mass. State Sanitorium, water rent one year	\$1,000 00
Patrons water rent one year to Jan. 1, 1906	1,043 54
Patrons service connection, one year to Jan. 1, 1906	74 46
Patrons for trenching	27 21

DUE

Town on account of hydrant service	350 00
“ “ supplying water to Pub. Building	20 00
“ “ “ “ 2 watering tubs	10 00
“ “ “ “ fountain in cemetery	10 00
Boston & Maine R. R., overcharge of weight of coal	27 40

RECEIVED

State Sanitorium, for extra water used	200 00
“ “ for supporting leak	100 00
Bruno & Milano, for water used on State road	25 00
“ “ for coal used on State road	17 50
Value of coal on hand	90 00

	<hr/> \$2,995 11
Leaving a balance in favor of the town of	\$341 18

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT,

Superintendent.

Rutland, March 1, 1906.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1906

We have drawn on Town Treasurer, Albert B. Pratt, two hundred and seventy-four orders, amounting to \$9,712.04, and on Town Treasurer, C. W. Dodge, one hundred and seventy-four orders, amounting to \$4,787.95. Total \$14,499 99.

APPROPRIATIONS OF THE TOWN

State Tax	\$880 00
County Tax	770 00
Town Grant	12,025 00
Overlayings	280 80
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	\$13,955 80

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN

State Treasurer, water loan	\$20,500 00
“ “	2,500 00
People's Savings Bank, ten-year loan	14,000 00
“ “ “ temporary loan	19,800 00
State Treasurer, building loan	12,700 00
“ refund loan	4,000 00
Hersom Brothers, water loan	1,500 00
Jose Parker & Co.	300 00
Mabel and Ethel Heald, two notes	730 00
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	\$76,030 00

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN

Due from State Aid	\$ 564 00
Water rents	1,096 24
Service connections	82 40
Trenching	27 21
Boston & Maine R. R. over charge on weight of coal	27 40
L. M. Hanff, uncollected taxes	7,684 27
C. W. Dodge, “ “ 1903	1,390 25
“ “ “ “ 1904	2,716 47
“ “ “ “ 1905	5,098 85
“ “ cash on hand	2,114 31
Value of water system	32,000 00
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	\$52,801 40
Leaving a balance against the town	<hr/>
	\$23,228 60

COMPENSATION OF TOWN OFFICERS

TOWN CLERK

L. M. Hanff	\$34.15	\$34 15
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SELECTMEN

C. R. Bartlett	\$39 00	
H. E. Wheeler	39 00	
W. C. Temple	37 00	
	<hr/>	\$115 00

ASSESSORS

G. S. Putnam	\$57 50	
D. A. Smith	45 00	
O. E. Bowen		
	<hr/>	\$102 50

OVERSEERS OF POOR

D. F. Smith	\$10 00	
J. E. Ware		
M. Holden	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$15 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS

C. R. Bartlett	\$10 00	
W. T. Brown		
M. Holden	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

A. B. Pratt, Treasurer	\$29 16	
A. B. Pratt, Collector	78 93	
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C. W. Dodge, Treasurer	\$25 00	
C. W. Dodge, Collector	40 50	
	<hr/>	\$65 50

AUDITOR

F. H. Thayer	\$20 00	\$20 00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT

C. R. Bartlett	\$25 00	\$25 00
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TREE WARDEN

G. H. Miles	\$2 50	\$2 50
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REGISTRARS

L. M. Hanff	\$9 00	
C. R. Battlett	8 00	
H. E. Wheeler	8 00	
W.C. Temple	6 00	
		\$31 00

BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS

G. S. Putnam	\$2 00	
W. R. Upham	2 00	
F. H. Thayer	2 00	
W. A. Russell	2 00	
D. A. Smith	2 00	
		\$10 00

CATTLE INSPECTOR

G. S. Putnam	\$92 00	\$92 00
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SEXTON

R. C. Prescott	\$49 00	\$49 00
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		\$689 74
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Appropriation		\$700 00
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Leaving a balance unexpended		\$19 74
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SNOW BILLS

Della Laton,	\$38 57
William J. Aiken,	2 60
Homer Gaynor,	4 92
John J. Walsh,	3 00
Lugene Burk,	3 00
Joseph Strong,	4 66
George H. Willis	27 81

Michael O'Leary	\$36 50
John Ogren,	2 00
George Hammond,	2 50
William H. Hammond,	3 75
H. E. Smith,	3 66
A. C. Wheeler,	21 95
George A. Strong,	8 50
W. G. Wales,	6 50
Newton I. Sargent,	8 00
W. R. Upham,	1 15
Chester A. Wheeler,	3 46
Howard Davis,	1 67
Walter G. Sargent,	2 50
W. W. Prescott,	5 00
C. J. Davis,	12 16
W. C. Temple,	13 24
John E. O'Leary,	59 16
John Haines,	3 50
George F. Goldwaith,	24 67
Fred Porter,	7 82
George Ferry,	7 82
Charles Miller,	7 82
Eli Beford,	19 66
John F. Graton,	5 16
E. C. Graton,	2 00
W. J. Brodmerkle,	9 52
George Taylor,	9 16
Daniel McCarthy,	2 50
Michael Cullen,	2 33
Dennis O'Herron,	40 17
W. H. Prescott,	3 67
B. W. Potter & Son,	26 27
Paul S. Wellington,	3 33
John A. Wellington,	3 33
Lester Ward,	1 33
George F. Fay,	1 58
William H. Maynard,	4 33
Dennis A. Smith,	1 40
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	\$463 63

STREET LIGHTING

APPROPRIATIONS

Town,	\$250 00
Fire Brigade,	38 00
Historical and Improvement Society,	19 00

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EXPENDED

The Best Street Light Co., 7 lamps,	\$87 50
Henry Converse, expense on 1 trial lamp,	1 50
Boston & Maine R. R. Co., freight on 6 lamps,	2 23
Edward Viner, 7 poles for lamps,	7 00
James Scott, setting poles,	3 50
H. E. Wheeler, setting poles,	1 75
C. R. Bartlett, setting poles,	1 75
George F. Blake, irons for brackets,	8 73
H. M. Waite, pulleys and rope,	8 83
Duncan & Goodell Co., rope,	1 36
A. B. Fisher, labor on brackets,	7 70
Michael Loughman, labor on brackets,	3 00
E. A. Williams, express on iron,	80
George H. Clark, gasoline and alcohol,	18 48
John Dickson, lighting, 3 months,	31 20
John Dickson, mantels and express,	1 10
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on 2 bbls. gasoline,	68
C. Stone, express,	20
The Best Street. Light Co., 6 extra globes, mantels and picks,	9 91

 \$197 22

Balance unexpended,

 \$109 78

PUBLIC BUILDING

M. Loughman, wrench and screw driver	\$ 2 00
Byron Sprague, labor on grates	1 00
Byron Sprague, labor on windows	1 10
C. A. Stone, sponge	90
George H. Clarke & Co., wax for floors	1 40
L. M. Hanff, coal	71 00
Fuller & Warren Co., grates, etc.	11 60
L. M. Hanff, coal	415 26
George W. Hudson, labor on coal	1 75
B. J. Sprague, labor shoveling coal	7 50
D. S. Thurston, supplies, public building	6 84
Hatch & Barnes, glass	90
B. J. Sprague, 1 day arranging tables for school ex.	1 50
B. J. Sprague, soap	50
Watson, Hallett & Co.	4 00
B. J. Sprague, cutting wood	3 60
B. J. Sprague, setting glass	1 00
American Express Co., on supplies	25
Dennis O Heron, wood	4 50
Harold Fay, shoveling coal	3 00
American Express Co., on supplies	40
J. E. Ware, wood	6 00
Worcester Rubber Co., 200 feet fire hose and couplings	45 00
Prouty Bros., funnel for furnaces	13 78
Clark, Sawyer Co., lamps and fixtures	11 92
Michael Loughman, lumber for coal bin	1 46
Charles Stone, express on stove pipe	40
B. J. Sprague, sponge and globe	1 60
Miles Holden, sundries	32 57
Byron J. Sprague, janitor's salary	460 00
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	\$1,112 73

Two-thirds of the foregoing account charged to schools.

One-third of the foregoing account charged to public building.

MEMORIAL DAY

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation	\$25 00
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EXPENDED

L. Q. Spaulding, for G. A. R.	\$25 00
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INCIDENTALS

Thayer & Cobb, legal, 1904 bill	\$ 13 00
Edward H. Tripp, town and school reports	53 00
L. Q. Spaulding, old bills	444 63
C. R. Bartlett, old bills	67 15
L. M. Hanff, court charges	7 83
P. B. Murphy, 100 dog license blanks	1 25
C. T. Oliver, making gate for old cemetery, old bill	5 00
E. H. Tripp, note heads and bill inclosures	5 75
Ross Bros, highway supplies	6 01
L. M. Hanff, insurance	24 00
H. M. Corbett, repairs on road scraper	7 00
The Carter's Ink Co, ink	1 25
E. H. Tripp, stationery, town clerk	2 75
H. E. Wheeler, building fence in old cemetery	2 00
P. B. Murphy, 100 dog license blanks	1 25
Sandford-Putnam Co., Assessors' books and supplies	5 10
L. M. Hanff, court charges	31 55
Elwood Adams, wire fencing	2 82
E. H. Tripp, tax bills, notices, etc., for collector	9 00
E. E. Lawrence, fence posts	3 00
Davis & Bannister,	1 80
John L. Smith, repairs on road scraper	8 50
C. F. Lawrence, official ballots	16 50
H. E. Wheeler, cutting over old cemetery, fixing flag pole, etc.,	12 75
Paul Wheeler, pick handles	1 50
Charles H. Batcheller & Co., town flag	5 75
Charles Stone, express on supplies	2 65
H. C. Heald, supporting watering tub	3 28
Royal Electro Plating Co.,	5 00

L. M. Hanff, court charges	\$17 98
L. M. Hanff, ink, etc., for sealing measures	1 50
E. H. Tripp, order book	4 50
E. W. Merrick, examination of accounts	35 89
F. H. Thayer, examination of accounts	6 37
C. R. Bartlett, Thurston case	50 00
H. E. Wheeler, Thurston case	50 00
D. F. Smith, Burial Agent, for burial Henry Brooks	35 00
A. B. Pratt, stationery	10 17
James Hammond, scraper pole and labor,	5 00
Worcester Abstract Co., examination of titles	9 20
E. H. Tripp, printing reports, tax bills, etc.	47 40
W. C. Temple, Thurston case	40 00
Thayer & Cobb, Thurston case	200 00
W. & L. E. Gurley, test weights	30 81
E. H. Tripp, billheads for water department	2 00
Wright & Potter, printing	1 00
Thayer & Cobb, counsel fees	30 00
L. M. Hanff, self and others for court charges	77 05
George S. Putnam, stationery and express	2 60
C. W. Dodge, Treas., negotiating notes	5 13
C. W. Dodge, Treas., postage	2 12
C. W. Dodge, Treas., official stamp and envelopes	1 05
L. C. Clark & Co., hand rail	8 75
Charles Stone, express on supplies	1 00
Geo. S. Putnam, recommitting tax bills to A. B. Pratt	5 00
Geo. S. Putnam, recommitting tax bills to C. W. Dodge	25 00
Dennis A. Smith, recommitting tax bills to A. B. Pratt	5 00
Dennis A. Smith, recommitting tax bills to C. W. Dodge	22 50
Newton I Sargent, viewing fence	2 50
B. J. Sprague, care of public grounds	20 00
C. R. Bartlett, putting up two shelves with brackets for hose	2 00
C. R. Bartlett, telephoning, postage and express	3 50
C. R. Bartlett, attending two hearings before Highway Com.,	3 00
C. R. Bartlett, two days transferring Treas acct. to C. W. Dodge,	5 00
H. E. Wheeler, 2 days transferring Treas. acct. to C. W. Dodge,	5 00
H. E. Wheeler, attending two hearings, Mass. Highway Com.,	8 00
W. C. Temple, attending one hearing Mass. Highway Com.,	4 50
W. C. Temple, 2 days transferring Treas. acct. to C. W. Dodge,	5 00

L. Q. Spaulding, four year's care of clock	\$80 00
L. Q. Spaulding, repairs on lavatory, public building	6 00
L. M. Hanff, insurance	15 00
L. M. Hanff, return of vital statistics	27 95
L. M. Hanff, adminisistrating oaths	4 50
W. H. Sawyer Lumber Co., flooring for repairs	6 08
D. A. Smith, for repairing floors	3 00
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	\$1,689 12
Appropriation	1,500 00
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Overdrawn	\$189 12

RECAPITULATION

Town Officers,	\$ 689 74
Schools, including $\frac{2}{3}$ public building acct.	5,837 44
Snow Bills,	463 63
State Aid,	573 00
Military Aid,	48 00
Highways,	1,213 65
Overseers' Orders,	218 40
Incidentals,	1,689 12
One-third Public Building account,	370 91
Water Department,	3,050 35
Free Public Library,	124 13
Street Lights,	197 22
Memorial Day,	25 00
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	\$14,500 59

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED

- One near S. B. Bray's
- One near E. C. Dudley's
- One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads
- One at West Rutland near Post Office
- One near Charles Pierce's
- Two near Patrick Delehanty's
- Two near Henry Kennan's
- One near Miles Holden's
- One near Gen. Putnam Memorial
- One near Muschopauge House
- One near Center Post Office
- One near Pound Hill

One near Daniel Nihin's
 One near Walter Bartlett's
 One near M. Myron Smith's
 One near Charles R. Bartlett's
 One near W. J. D'Ert's
 One near Greenleaf Corner
 One near Benjamin Allen's place
 One near Addison Childs'
 One at New Boston Corner
 One near W. J. Broadmerkle's
 One near Levi H. Stearns'
 One near Sargent's Corner
 One near Upham's Corner
 One near D. R. Wheeler's
 One near No. 1 School-house

LIST OF NAMES PRESENTED FOR JURORS.

Lawrence E. Smith,	F. H. Thayer,
William J. Hunt,	P. S. O'Connor,
Thomas O'Herron,	Otis E. Bowen,
Weston R. Upham,	A. B. Fisher,
Herman D. Bray,	Joseph E. Ware,
Henry B. Davis,	E. Wellington,
James Hammond,	William H. Maynard,
A. Clifford Wheeler,	George F. Handy.

LOUIS M. HANFF, TREASURER PRO-TEMPORE.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF RUTLAND, MASS.

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March 16	Received from Ethel Thurston, cash	
	in treasury	\$165 88
16	" " "	138 84
17	Recived from State Treas., burial	
	State Pauber	15 00
21	Received of Ethel Thurston, cash	85 00
21	Rec'd from People's Savings Bank	1,000 00
24	Received from Ethel Thurston	40 00
30	" "	135 28

\$1,580 00

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March	21	Paid People's Savings Bank	\$1,000 00	
	21	" " " "	20 00	
April	8	Paid Albert B. Pratt, Treasurer	250 00	
	11	" " " "	310 00	
				\$1,580 00

We have this day examined the foregoing account of Treasurer pro tem, Louis M. Hanff, and find the foregoing account correct.

CHAS. R. BARTLETT, } *Selectmen*
H. E. WHEELER, } *of*
W. C. TEMPLE, } *Rutland.*

FRANK H. TRAYER, *Auditor.*

Rutland, April 1, 1905.

The Selectmen in presenting the Annual Report, desire to speak of the several changes that have occurred in the office of Treasurer and Collector during the year. Mr. L. M. Hanff was appointed Treasurer pro tem, to act in place of D. M. Thurston, who became incapacitated to perform the duty. This office was held by Mr. Hanff until A. B. Pratt was chosen at the annual meeting and qualified as Treasurer and Collector.

About November 1, on account of failing health, Mr. Pratt sent in his resignation. Mr. C. W. Dodge was appointed by the Selectmen to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Pratt, as Treasurer and Collector. The death of Mr. Pratt soon followed, and the town was called upon to mourn the loss of one of her most honored and valued citizens. These changes have caused the town considerable expense, involving much extra work for the Selectmen, Assessors and Auditor.

In the settlement of D. S. Thurston's account with the town the matter was directed by the town's counsel, Thayer & Rugg. The shortage was found to be about \$2,000, a settlement was effected by vote of the town, so there was realized something near \$1,200 to meet this deficiency.

At the time of the settlement with former Treasurer, Mr. Pratt, it was found that there was in his hands an unaccounted balance of \$554.69, which amount was turned over to his successor. Since then, there has come to light bills to the amount of \$96, which Mr. Pratt paid upon the approval of the proper department officers, but for which no orders were drawn, neither did he enter them upon his books, this increased the balance to \$650.69.

There has also been found errors where he neglected to credit upon his books, taxes which were paid, amounting to \$116.28, also an error upon two bills which were paid, of \$10.12, which taken from the credit leaves a balance still unaccounted for of \$524.29.

The town has reduced the outstanding notes \$2,200 during the year, besides paying accrued interest on all its indebtedness. The reported indebtedness of the town is nearly \$1,000 less than a year ago.

The Mass. State Highway Commission has built one and one-sixth miles of State road during the year, commencing at the intersection of roads near the watering tub on Pound Hill and ending at Holden line. This road appears to be thoroughly built, and is much appreciated by all who use it. It is expected that another section will be granted to the town in the near future.

After examining several kinds of Street Lights, a trial of a large 2000 candle power lamp, made by the Best Street Light Co., of Canton, Ohio, it was decided to purchase seven lamps, which were duly installed and seem quite satisfactory.

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED BY
THE SELECTMEN

For Schools	\$4,000 00
Highways	1,200 00
Poor	400 00
Military Aid	50 00
Town Officers	800 00
Contingent	1,500 00
Payment of debts	4,000 00
Snow bills	500 00
Hydrant Service	350 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Street Lights	400 00

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BARTLETT, } *Selectmen*
H. E. WHEELER, } *of*
W. C. TEMPLE, } *Rutland*

Rutland, March 1, 1906.

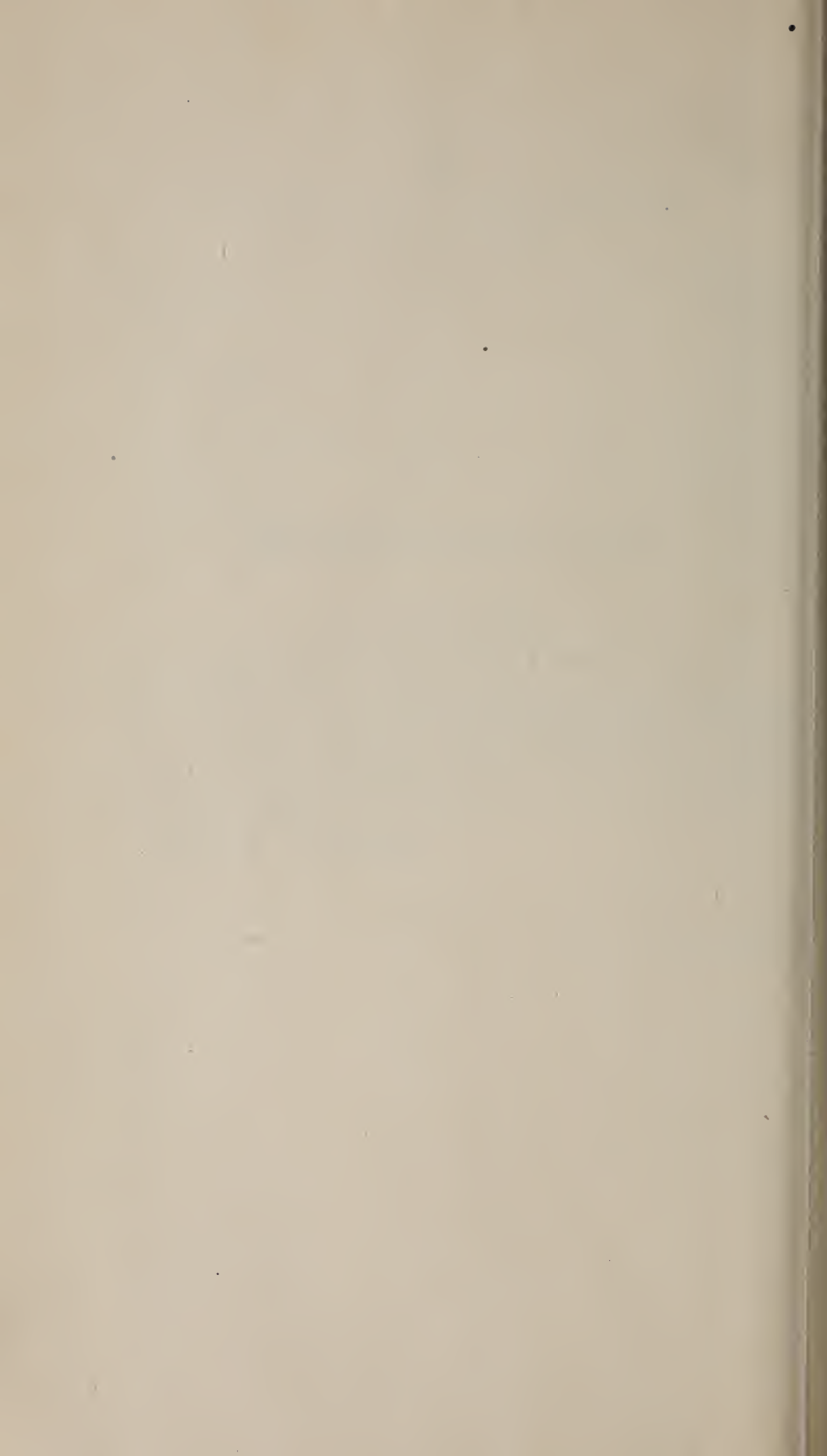
AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer and Superintendent of Water Department, for the year ending March 1, 1906, and find the same correct, except in Treasurer's account I find a surplus unaccounted for as reported in this book.

FRANK H. THAYER,

Auditor.

Rutland, March 1, 1906.



SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Superintendent of Schools

FOR THE

CENTRAL WORCESTER UNION
TOWNS:
HOLDEN, OAKHAM, PAXTON, RUTLAND
WORCESTER COUNTY, MASS.

MARCH, 1906

THE CENTRAL WORCESTER UNION.

The union was formed July 16, 1900. The services and salary of the superintendent are shared as follows: Holden, one-half; Rutland, one-fourth; Paxton, one-tenth; Oakham, three-twentieths. The superintendent's year begins August 1. Thirty-three teachers are employed in thirty schools. The chairman of the joint committee is Jesse Allen of Oakham, and the secretary is Mrs. Addie M. Holden of Holden. The members of the various committees, with the expiration of their respective terms, are shown below:

HOLDEN.

	Term Expires.
James A. Holden, chairman,	1906
Mrs. Martha E. Graham,	1906
Mrs. Anna P. Fay,	1907
T. Walter Howe,	1907
Mrs. Addie M. Holden, secretary,	1908
William J. Powers,	1908

RUTLAND.

	Term Expires.
William C. Temple,	1906
Louis M. Hanff, secretary,	1907
Dennis E. Smith, chairman,	1908

OAKHAM.

	Term Expires.
Jesse Allen, chairman,	1906
H. W. Lincoln,	1907
Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, secretary,	1908

PAXTON.

	Term Expires.
Mrs. Susie E. Flint,	1907
Lewis S. Clapp,	1908
Mrs. Carrie M. Fields,	1909

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton and Rutland.

The superintendent of schools for your towns is chosen by you in session as the joint committee of the union. For supervisory purposes the schools of the four towns are combined, and to the superintendent form a unit. While giving to each town the proportion of time agreed upon, and while in the course of his work dealing in many matters with separate committees, in the more essential features of his work the superintendent may ignore the town lines. The conditions seem to render proper a joint report, and this sixth annual report, like its predecessors, is submitted in that form. References to a few matters pertaining to particular towns are added under a proper title.

ATTENDANCE.

Your attention is called to the "Summary of Attendance" inserted below, and to the tables which follow. In the tables

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

	HOLDEN.	OAKHAM.	PAXTON.	RUTLAND.	Total.
No. enrolled since September 1, 1905....	546	97	85	252	980
Average membership for year.....	489.9	83.9	73.6	231.3	878.7
Average attendance for year.....	446.0	79.7	63.9	209.6	799.2
Per cent. of attendance for year.....	91.2	95.0	86.8	90.6	90.9
Per cent. of attendance for last year....	91.1	94.4	88.9	89.7	91

STATISTICAL TABLES.

HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS, 1905-'06	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
High School.....	A. K. Learned, Prin. Marion E. Bascom, Anjennette Newton, Assistants	Spring ..	11	54.4	49.2	90.9	.....	164
		Fall.....	12	59.9	55.3	92.0	.....	51
		Winter..	15	56.2	51.1	91.0	91.3	69
Center Primary..	Margery A. Rice.....	Spring ..	12	42.8	39.3	91.9	.....	27
		Fall.....	12	39.9	36.8	92.2	.....	18
		Winter..	11	43.3	37.8	87.3	90.5	57
Center Grammar.	Marion L. Mann.....	Spring ..	12	30.2	27.9	92.4	.....	4
		Fall.....	12	31.6	29.4	93.0	.....	24
		Winter..	11	29.8	27.3	91.6	92.0	45
Jefferson, First Primary..	Laura L. Chenery....	Spring ..	12	51.0	47.0	92.1	.....	30
		Fall.....	12	46.3	44.1	94.5	.....	10
		Winter..	11	46.0	36.8	79.8	88.8	57
Jefferson, Second Primary	Esther C. Hendricks.	Spring ..	12	37.3	35.4	95.7	.....	15
		Fall.....	12	38.1	36.5	95.0	.....	4
		Winter..	11	36.8	33.1	89.2	93.3	12
Jefferson, Intermediate..	Clara K. Bascom.....	Spring ..	12	36.1	33.7	93.3	.....	31
		Fall.....	12	30.2	29.4	96.5	.....	22
		Winter..	11	29.7	27.5	95.8	95.2	34
Jefferson, Grammar.....	Adella L. Adams.....	Spring ..	12	20.0	18.2	91.2	.....	20
		Fall.....	12	25.7	22.5	90.0	.....	23
		Winter..	11	24.1	21.0	86.9	89.4	19
Chaffin Primary..	Ella O. Peterson.....	Spring ..	12	31.0	28.4	91.6	.....	0
		Fall.....	12	27.3	24.3	81.6	.....	1
		Winter..	11	26.5	22.8	86.0	86.4	1
Chaffin Grammar.	L. Ula Skelton.....	Spring ..	12	29.9	26.1	95.0	.....	1
		Fall.....	11	31.8	29.1	91.0	.....	3
		Winter..	11	30.6	26.5	86.0	90.7	0
Quinapoxet Primary.....	A. Florence Kirby..	Spring ..	12	31.0	30.4	96.1	.....	26
		Fall.....	12	23.2	23.5	97.1	.....	6
		Winter..	11	22.6	21.4	94.5	95.9	8
Quinapoxet Grammar.....	Ida G. Abbott.....	Spring ..	12	24.4	23.8	97.0	.....	48
		Fall.....	12	29.5	28.9	97.0	.....	30
		Winter..	11	27.4	24.2	88.7	94.2	47
North Woods.....	Margaret V. Gray....	Spring ..	12	23.0	21.6	93.0	.....	20
		Fall.....	12	20.0	19.0	95.0	.....	23
		Winter..	11	18.6	17.7	95.0	94.3	19
Springdale.....	Mary G. Cahill.....	Spring ..	12	20.0	18.2	91.0	.....	21
		Fall.....	12	26.0	23.0	94.0	.....	19
		Winter..	11	21.0	10.0	49.0	78.0	5
Dawson.....	M. Agnes Dolan.....	Spring ..	12	23.0	21.0	92.8	.....	4
		Fall.....	11	25.6	22.9	89.4	.....	23
		Winter..	11	24.0	19.8	82.2	88.1	22
South.....	Sadie I. Packard....	Spring ..	12	21.3	20.2	95.0	.....	5
		Fall.....	12	18.4	18.2	98.8	.....	45
		Winter..	11	16.6	15.8	95.0	96.3	47
Unionville.....	Agnes L. Kirby.....	Spring ..	12	20.9	20.0	91.0	.....	43
		Fall.....	12	24.8	22.3	90.6	.....	41
		Winter..	11	22.0	19.5	87.8	89.8	35

PAXTON.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Terms 1905-'6	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
Primary	Minnie F. Hodgkins..	Spring ..	17	28.7	25.0	85.0	.....	15
	Mabel C. Reid.....	Fall.....	12	32.3	29.4	91.0	.....	44
	Mabel C. Reid.....	Winter..	9	29.5	23.3	79.1	85.0	51
Intermediate.	M. Alice Converse....	Spring ..	17	23.0	20.5	89.2	.....	101
	M. Alice Converse....	Fall.....	12	28.2	26.0	92.2	.....	53
	M. Alice Converse....	Winter..	9	28.5	23.4	82.1	87.8	58
Grammar.	Jennie R. Burnham..	Spring ..	17	15.3	13.4	87.9	.....	38
	Jennie R. Burnham..	Fall.....	12	17.4	16.0	91.6	.....	9
	Jennie R. Burnham..	Winter..	9	18.0	15.8	87.4	89.0	31

RUTLAND.

High School.....	William S. Dunn, Principal	Spring ..	13	27.0	24.2	89.5	.....	93
	Edna H. Johnson, Assistant	Fall.....	12	28.4	27.0	95.0	.....	44
		Winter..	15	28.5	26.4	92.5	92.3	123
Center, First Primary..	Blanche Kelley.....	Spring ..	12	29.6	27.8	94.6	.....	11
	Blanche Kelley.....	Fall.....	16	25.5	23.1	90.9	92.8	15
	.....	Winter..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Center. Second Primary	Mary E. Carpenter....	Spring ..	12	35.0	33.3	95.1	.....	29
	Beulah W. Higgins...	Fall.....	16	33.4	29.5	88.4	.....	27
	Beulah W. Higgins...	Winter..	5	45.3	36.9	81.5	88.7	16
Intermediate.	Martha E. Bemis....	Spring ..	12	33.6	32.5	93.7	.....	28
	Martha E. Bemis....	Fall.....	16	34.1	32.3	94.8	.....	30
	Martha E. Bemis....	Winter..	5	44.0	40.4	92.6	93.7	14
Grammar.	Kathryn L. Johnson..	Spring...	12	33.6	31.9	94.9	.....	32
	Kathryn L. Johnson..	Fall.	12	40.7	38.3	94.2	.....	24
	Kathryn L. Johnson..	Winter..	9	39.8	35.8	89.8	93.0	69
North Rutland...	M. Louise Spencer...	Spring ..	12	30.8	26.3	84.0	.....	42
	Anna F. Finnerty....	Fall.....	12	36.5	32.8	90.0	.....	90
	Anna F. Finnerty....	Winter..	9	31.4	23.6	75.0	83.0	25
West Rutland....	Genevieve Doran....	Spring ..	12	36.2	32.2	89.0	.....	14
	Marion Kelleher....	Fall.....	12	27.9	26.4	94.6	.....	16
	Marion Kelleher....	Winter..	9	24.9	22.5	90.4	91.3	4

OAKHAM.

Center Primary..	Mrs. Minnie M. Dav..	Spring...	10	24.0	23.6	96.5	.....	6
	Mrs. Minnie M. Day..	Fall.....	11	24.4	23.9	97.5	.....	5
	Mrs. Minnie M. Day..	Winter..	11	21.6	20.5	95.0	96.3	3
Center Grammar.	Florence E. Bothwell.	Spring...	10	16.6	16.3	98.0	.....	11
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Fall.....	11	18.3	17.4	95.0	.....	19
	Florence E. Bothwell.	Winter..	11	17.5	15.5	90.0	94.3	6
Coldbrook	Ruth E. Butterfield..	Spring...	10	11.0	10.5	95.0	.....	2
	Ruth E. Butterfield..	Fall.....	11	11.7	11.1	96.5	.....	1
	Ruth E. Butterfield..	Winter..	11	11.0	10.8	98.0	96.5	1
South.....	Alice L. Dweley....	Spring...	10	16.0	15.6	97.3	.....	4
	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Fall.....	8	19.8	19.5	98.5	.....	4
	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Winter..	12	20.5	18.1	88.3	94.7	27
West.....	Alma G. Russell.....	Spring..	10	11.1	9.7	87.3	.....	7
	Julia Connelly..	Fall.....	11	14.9	14.4	96.6	.....	0
	Julia Connelly.....	Winter..	11	13.4	12.3	91.7	91.7	5

the column headed "Average Membership" shows the number of pupils who are expected to be present every day in any given term, unless prevented by reasons which make absence *necessary*. The column headed "Per Cent. of Attendance" shows the proportion of this number present on the average every day through the term. The difference between this per cent. and 100 shows the part of its expenditure for which the town has received no return in actual service to its pupils, simply because pupils were not present to enjoy their privilege.

The summary shows a slight increase in the per cent. of attendance in all the towns except Paxton.

Thoughtful parents realize the necessity of constant attendance at school in order to secure the highest benefit to the children. Unfortunately, not all parents consider the matter seriously. Temporary convenience often outweighs consideration for the good of the children and of the school, and a day's absence now and then is carelessly allowed. I appeal to all parents for co-operation with the teachers in this matter.

Teachers are directed to find out promptly the reason for every absence, and to excuse those which are *necessary*, which the law permits to be done. They have reported to me the names of those who have been absent ten half-days in any period of six months, such absence not being excused as necessary. A list of such pupils will be furnished the committees, and it is hoped that the attendance officers will be directed to secure amendment in the future, or to prosecute the parent, as the law provides.

THE ELEMENTARY COURSE OF STUDY.

In my fourth annual report I gave an account of our general scheme of instruction. This scheme was in the hands of teachers, largely in the form of mimeographed notes. During the past year, in consultation with a committee appointed by you, the general scheme was revised, details were added, and the whole printed in a pamphlet entitled "An Outline of a Course of

Study for the Schools of the Central Worcester Union." Copies of the pamphlet may be obtained by parents and others interested, on application to the secretaries of the several committees.

The grouping of the elementary school subjects proposed by Dr. John T. Prince, agent of the Board of Education, was adopted in the outline. This grouping is as follows:

GROUP I. LANGUAGE. (a) Reading, (b) Writing, (c) Composition and Spelling, (d) Memory Work, (e) Grammar.

GROUP II. MATHEMATICS. (a) Arithmetic, (b) Form and Geometrical Exercises, (c) Algebra, (d) Bookkeeping.

GROUP III. ELEMENTARY SCIENCE. (a) Nature Study, (b) Geography, (c) Physiology and Hygiene, (d) Information Reading connected with the lessons of this group.

GROUP IV. HISTORY. (a) History and Biography, (b) Civics.

GROUP V. MISCELLANEOUS. (a) Drawing, (b) Manual Training, (c) Singing.

In the apportionment of time to each group of studies, teachers are directed to approximate the proportion recommended by Dr. Prince. This varies somewhat in the different grades, but, on the average, half of the time is to be devoted to the work of groups I and II, which include "the three R's." In practice, more than half, in the lower grades much more than half, of the time and strength of pupils and teachers is given to the subjects in these groups. It is safe to say that a far larger amount of matter is read, a much greater number of pages of good writing produced, and much more practical ability with numbers developed, than in the days when "the three R's" constituted nearly the whole of the school course.

In previous reports, I have indicated our aims and plans in the several subjects of the course, and need not here repeat. Special comment will be made only on the subjects of Group V.

(a) *Drawing*. The School Arts Book is a monthly magazine edited by Mr. Henry T. Bailey, formerly agent of the Board of Education, in charge of drawing. In this magazine there is appearing a series of monthly Outlines for Rural Schools, by

Mr. Walter Sargent, the present State supervisor of drawing. These outlines form our course of study in drawing for the present year. The School Arts Book, containing, besides the outlines, much other material of the highest value to teachers of drawing, is furnished to every teacher in the elementary schools. Its monthly visits are proving the next best thing to a living supervisor. Teachers who devote proper attention to preparation for teaching the lessons, and who can handle a class with some skill, are securing creditable results. All are doing much better on account of having the book.

(b) *Manual Training*. "The educative value of hand training through constructive work is recognized. Though no systematic, uniform course is practicable, teachers are expected to comprehend the underlying principle of manual training, and to apply it as far as conditions will permit. Paper folding and cutting, card-board construction, basket-making with reed and raffia, and the making of various other articles for use in school and home, are some of the numerous ways in which the educative use of the hand may be secured."

The kinds of work indicated in this quotation from the Outline are being done in a majority of the schools, and though it does not fully answer the need, it is considered decidedly worth while.

One writer has said that the fundamental reason for manual training is that children are born with hands. The "appetite for manipulation" is strong in every normal child, and the neglect of this appetite is one of the most serious defects of the school. Our teachers are trying to adjust available forms of hand work to the needs of the child and to the special conditions of the schools.

Mr. Henry T. Bailey thus puts the matter:

The fundamental reason for maintaining manual training in the schools may be stated briefly to be the insistent demand of child nature for something to do by hand; a demand made, as we now know, unanimously by body, mind and heart. The general direction which the instruction should

pursue is determined by three factors: the interests of the child at the time, the social and economic conditions under which he lives, and the ideals toward which he should grow; in other words, whatever he does should be interesting, practical and beautiful.

(c) *Singing*. In all but four small schools, "regular, systematic work in singing" is being done, according to teachers' reports. In the four schools, the teacher's inability to sing is the hindering condition. Rote songs and blackboard exercises in the lower grades, and the same continued in connection with a music reader and the Weaver slips in the higher grades, constitute our course in this subject. Results vary with the skill of the teacher, but in most of the schools creditable effort is made and much is accomplished.

The subjects of Group V are usually favored with supervision by specialists. Our teachers deserve commendation for their excellent effort to conduct the work without such aid.

"CLASS-INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTION."

The arrangement of the studies of the school into a continuous series of yearly portions called a *course of study*, and the classification of pupils for instruction with reference to these yearly portions, together form one of the most useful devices of the modern school. The teaching of pupils of similar attainments in groups of considerable size has many advantages. "Class exercises," in which the pupils of a group work together at a common task in a spirit of mutual help under the direction of a competent teacher, are highly educative. But in such groups there are always some pupils whose mental condition unfits them to profit by the treatment which may be best for the majority. The attempt to produce a "lock step" in the mental movement of a whole class has never succeeded. Several devices have been invented for the purpose of properly providing for the pupil who fails to "keep step" with the class. One plan arranges a "double track" through the course of study. On one track those pupils who can do it may travel rapidly, while the slower

minds take the other track. Another plan allows pupils to advance in small groups, with frequent opportunity for re-grouping as differences in capacity are shown. One plan abandons entirely the attempt to move pupils forward in ordered lines, and allow each individual to get on as his particular ability may permit. Other plans still have been devised, all designed to reach the pupil who for any reason needs individual attention. Each of these plans is apparently satisfactory to the man who devised it and to some others. But no one of them has proved so adaptable to the varying conditions of the schools as to come into general use.

At Batavia, N. Y., Supt. John Kennedy has developed a plan so simple in theory and so capable of adaptation to all conditions that its use is rapidly spreading. It promises to become incorporated into the practice of schools everywhere. By this plan the benefits of class teaching are retained and even increased, while the pupils who require individual attention to ensure their progress are sought out and given such attention at periods set apart for the purpose on the regular daily program.

Regarding the class exercise under the new plan, Supt. Kennedy says:

It is in appearance much the same as the old. But there is this difference, that the recitation is real, the ground is covered, and the goal is reached, whereas in the old much time is worse than wasted in a feverish battle with laggards. With us the laggard is allowed the privilege of the class, but his personal battles are at the individual table, where he can waste no one's time, and where there is no feverishness.

Class exercises are not delayed by backward or unprepared pupils, but at another time such pupils are called one by one to the teacher's desk, the particular difficulty of each is ascertained and the needed assistance given, under the best conditions for mental work. The teacher persistently seeks to enable every pupil of normal capacity, by his own efforts, to master the work of the course of study to such a degree as to make possible the mastery of succeeding work.

The "Batavia plan" was introduced into our practice in a conservative way during the past year. Results may be judged from the following extracts from teachers' reports, selected from many of similar tone:

I like this system very much. Until I set apart a special time for it on my program, I found it hard to give individual assistance. After working with a child right by me at my desk, I get to understand him better. Before, we have both gotten out of patience. Now, there is a much better feeling. We can do more work during the class period, for I make a note of help needed, and do not take the class time as before.

It gives the child a thorough understanding of what he thought difficult, gives him more confidence in himself and increases his power to work for himself.

Some cases I have found to be hopeless. With the normal children these "lifts" have done much good.

I have tried individual instruction with two children in particular. They were backward and behind the grade, but have made great improvement. They take more interest in their work. Before, they were simply a drag on the other pupils.

I have found it is not only the dull pupil but the lazy one who needs attention. By individual work I have aroused two pupils from their nap, and they are finding they can do their work as well as the rest, if they try.

I find that the children who receive individual instruction feel encouraged, try harder, work better, and enjoy their work more.

As we think over our work at the close of the day, we no longer have qualms of conscience over the three or four stupid ones that we have failed to reach. We know we have done our duty by *every* child.

This individual instruction is a stimulus to all. Pupils realize that the lesson must be mastered, they put forth greater effort, and the time and patience of the teacher are spared.

We are brought face to face with the backward pupil, and we learn to sympathize more fully with him. Soon these backward ones can keep their places in class without individual help.

Nearly all our teachers are practicing the plan of "class-individual" teaching, with more or less emphasis on the individual teaching. Longer experience is necessary to demonstrate fully the benefits of the plan, but indications are ample that we shall secure the same favorable results that accompany its use elsewhere.

MORAL CULTURE IN THE SCHOOL.

In 1789, at the first session of the Massachusetts Legislature held under the National Constitution, a statute was enacted containing the following provision:

The president, professors and tutors of the university at Cambridge and of the several colleges, all preceptors and teachers of academies and all other instructors of youth shall exert their best endeavors to impress on the minds of children and youth committed to their care and instruction the principles of piety and justice and a sacred regard for truth, love of their country, humanity and universal benevolence, sobriety, industry and frugality, chastity, moderation and temperance, and those other virtues which are the ornament of human society and the basis upon which a republican constitution is founded; and they shall endeavor to lead their pupils, as their ages and capacities will admit, into a clear understanding of the tendency of the above-mentioned virtues to preserve and perfect a republican constitution and secure the blessings of liberty as well as to promote their future happiness, and also to point out to them the evil tendency of the opposite vices.

That the educators of to-day are in harmony with the thought of the old Massachusetts law-makers is shown by the following extract from the Declaration of Principles adopted by the National Educational Association at its session in 1905:

The association regrets the revival in some quarters of the idea that the common school is a place for teaching nothing but reading, spelling, writing and ciphering; and takes this occasion to declare that the ultimate object of popular education is to teach the children how to live righteously, healthily and happily, and that to accomplish this object it is essential that every school inculcate the love of truth, justice, purity, and beauty through the study of biography, history, ethics, natural history, music, drawing and manual arts.

The building of character is the real aim of the schools and the ultimate reason for the expenditure of millions for their maintenance.

During the past year your superintendent has tried to lead the teachers to a deeper appreciation of the moral aspects of their work and to point out some definite means by which moral character may be affected. There is evidence of a general response to the call of duty in this matter.

THE VITAL FACTOR.

It is not the course of study. "The right sort of teacher will turn a narrow programme into a feast of 'fat things full of marrow,' and a poor teacher will reduce the richest curriculum to a dull gradgrind." It is not the "Batavia plan" or any other plan. It is not a sound theory of moral culture. It is the teacher herself, her vigor of body and mind, her native ability, scholarship and technical skill, her moral maturity, her devotion to the work of teaching, her sympathy with children and quick perception of their needs, and those other qualities which make up a strong personality. The teacher is the vital, determining factor in the school.

Hence, the supreme duty of school authorities is to secure good teachers, to use all means to make them better, and to retain them in service. Superintendents in small towns and large, in city and country, are finding it increasingly difficult to secure in sufficient numbers the sort of teachers demanded by the present requirements of the school. Men of the requisite ability can no longer be secured at all, except for the few positions which pay the higher salaries, and in these permanence is rare. The field of employment for capable, energetic young women is much broader than formerly. Work for them in many other lines is more remunerative, requires less preparatory training, and involves smaller drafts on health and nerves.

Speaking of the wages of teachers in certain portions of rural Massachusetts, Secretary Martin says: "It is not surprising that

there should be a scarcity of qualified teachers in these towns and counties. The wonder is that teachers enough to fill the places can be tempted away from the poorest shop work and from domestic service, where the annual earnings are much more."

The fundamental difficulty, of course, is the failure on the part of the tax-paying public to appreciate the high value of the work of a good teacher. This value cannot be expressed in numerals and the dollar sign, but only in the notation of a higher realm. The situation is well expressed by a recent writer in the *Journal of Education*:

Teaching is harder to judge than any other kind of expert service. In most service requiring special knowledge or skill, if we cannot judge of the work while in progress, we can judge of its results. If the blacksmith is unskillful the horse goes lame; if the builder is a botcher, his roof leaks, his doors sag, his paint scales, or his plaster falls; the poor lawyer loses his case, the physician his patient; but for poor teaching there is no prompt or ready test. In fact most otherwise well-informed people have very hazy notions of what the school ought to bring to pass. Our people believe in education without knowing exactly what the word means. Suffice it to say that from a good school the youth should come forth with a body sound, healthy, and graceful, with a mind furnished with a goodly stock of knowledge of the sciences that underlie our civilization, and of the best literature in which its ideals and spirit are expressed; it will have trained his powers of perception and reasoning; it will have established that scientific spirit which does not believe and take for granted, but weighs and considers; it will have secured reasonable proficiency in reading, writing, drawing, computing, singing, speaking, and the art of good behavior.

The daily administration of the good school will have established habits of punctuality, order, industry, courtesy, and self-control, of fidelity to obligations, and a due sense of responsibility. It will have implanted high ideals of life, the love of excellence, a passion for justice, a chivalrous sense of honor; in brief, the school should turn out,—to adapt the words of Milton,—honest, honorable, high-minded men and women able to discharge justly, skillfully, and magnanimously all the duties of public and private life.

The man or woman who seriously undertakes the teacher's office with such an ideal of the results to be sought as are expressed above, must hear a more urgent call than the call of the

dollar. He or she must partake deeply of the noble spirit of unselfish service. Such teachers are laying the foundations of our future national stability. They are shaping the citizens of the future republic. Money compensation can never be commensurate with the services rendered, but it should be enough to enable the teacher to live in such a manner as to best conserve health and happiness, to keep alive and growing his or her own soul through contact with nature, literature, and life, and thus to make concrete before the children the ideals towards which they are being led.

The relation of parents to such teachers should not be that of opposition nor of cool indifference, but of warm friendship. I appeal to parents to become acquainted with the teachers of their own and of their neighbors' children, to give them the appreciation they deserve, and to co-operate earnestly with them in their labors for the most precious possession of our homes and of our communities.

Great care has been exercised in the choice of teachers for our schools to secure the best possible for the compensation allowed. In searching for teachers to nominate to the committees, the superintendent has often wished that he were authorized to offer a dollar or two more per week. In some cases it would have been the means of making a school very good, instead of passable.

A similar addition to the salary of a teacher who had received an attractive offer elsewhere, in several cases would have enabled us to retain an efficient teacher, and thus to avoid the loss incurred by a change.

Our present teachers, without a known exception, have the right attitude toward their work. As would be expected, they differ in native ability and acquired qualifications, but all seem to realize the high demands of their position, and are willing to work and study to worthily meet those demands. This respect for one's work, which leads to earnest effort to perform it with increasing skill, we call "professional spirit." Teaching in this country can hardly sustain a claim to being a profession, yet teachers may share the attitude toward their work which is sup-

posed to characterize workers in the recognized professions. This "professional spirit" is manifested by our teachers in a very commendable degree.

THE TOWNS IN PARTICULAR.

Holden.—The average membership of the schools is thirty-two less than last year, and the average attendance thirty less.

The number of pupils at Springdale will be so reduced by the removal of the Glen Mills that the transportation of the remaining children to Quinapoxet may seem advisable. The consolidation of the school at North Woods with the Jefferson schools should also be considered in the near future.

Only four new teachers appear on the list this year. Two positions have been filled twice. Miss Clara K. Bascom was promoted to the principalship at Jefferson, and the vacancy in the intermediate room was filled by the transfer of Miss Agnes Dolan from Dawson.

The High School had no senior class last year. In place of the usual graduation exercises in June, an address was given by Rev. Everett D. Burr, D.D., of Newton.

The second assistant, employed this year for the first time, has charge of all the work of the ninth grade, also of physics and ancient history in the senior class. By present arrangements, pupils who do not take Latin are provided with its full equivalent in other work.

Eight pupils are candidates for the diploma of the school in June next.

The annual reception of the Alumni Association last June was made the occasion of suitable recognition of the fact that the honored principal of the school, Mr. Alonzo K. Learned, had completed a quarter century of service to the town in his present position. All unite with the graduates and former students of the school in the feeling which found expression in gifts and appreciative words.

Oakham.—As usual, Oakham leads the towns in its per cent. of attendance. The Coldbrook school leads all in the union, while

the Centre Primary shares the second place with South school in Holden.

Miss Julia Connelly replaced Miss Alma Russell at the West school, and Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis returned to her post at the South school. Otherwise no changes in teachers have occurred.

For the year ending last June the schools were actually in session an average of 153.4 days, or the equivalent of thirty-one full weeks. The regular attendance of pupils, the small number in each school, and the permanence of the teaching force are conditions favorable to good school work. Results are better than would usually be expected in a school year so short, but they would be further improved if more time were given. Only two other towns in the county still adhere to the lowest legal limit of thirty-two weeks. It is hoped that Oakham will not be the last to lengthen the school year.

Paxton.—Last year I was glad to report an increase in the per cent. of attendance, but this year there has been a falling off. The prevalence of measles during the winter term accounts for a part of the loss, but much of the irregular attendance is apparently due to the negligence of a few families.

Miss Mabel C. Reid, who had served acceptably in another town of the union, succeeded Miss Minnie Hodgkins in the primary room in September. The other teachers remain the same.

The candidates for admission to Worcester high schools entered with a good record. There are no ninth grade pupils this year.

The covering of all the blackboards in the building with paper and green slating greatly improved them at small expense. The finishing and tinting of the walls and ceilings is another inexpensive improvement much needed.

Rutland.—It is pleasant to report an increase in membership, attendance and per cent. of attendance. For the first time the town reduces its loss by non-attendance to ten per cent. The loss may further be reduced by proper attention to a few negligent families.

On the resignation of the teacher of the first primary room at the Centre, in the winter term, it was found practicable, by a rearrangement of grades, to combine the two primary rooms. The old high school room was thus left vacant, and the high school was moved back to it from the reception hall.

Mr. W. S. Dunn took charge of the High School the second week of the fall term in place of Mr. B. A. Albro, who left us to go to Princeton. Miss Mary Carpenter, Miss M. Louise Spencer, Miss Genevieve Doran and Miss Blanche Kelley have resigned during the year, and Miss Katie Johnson resigned at the end of it. Miss Kelley resigned on account of the illness of her father, and all the others to accept more attractive positions.

All the teachers of Rutland are graduates of a normal school or college, and are serving the town efficiently.

The most pressing needs of our schools are a longer year for the elementary schools, and more permanency in the teaching force. It will be readily seen that in thirty-two weeks, with such frequent changes in teachers, our results cannot compare favorably with those of towns having thirty-six weeks and more permanent teachers. I see no way of meeting our "pressing needs" without a larger investment of money in the schools. Such investment promises to yield large dividends.

The High School is approved as a "legal high school," and the special State grant of \$300 is received to aid in its support. It is expected that the approval will be continued. The membership of the school is now twenty-eight. Three pupils are candidates for graduation in June next, and it is expected that sixteen will be eligible to admission in September.

Miss Dell Ward, Miss Bessie Ward, Miss Mayme Newman, Miss Susie O'Connor, and Mr. Percy Nourse received the diploma of the school last June.

EQUALIZING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY.

The late President E. H. Capen, in writing the sixty-second report of the Board of Education, said: "To the undersigned it seems that if education is the duty of the State, that duty is

not discharged until all the children have an equal privilege. In a great city like Boston the children of the poorer sections have as good facilities and as good teachers as the children of the rich and fashionable quarters. Why should not this principle extend to the entire Commonwealth?"

A good deal has already been accomplished in the struggle for equal educational advantages to all the children. Text-books and school material are free to every child. High school instruction is offered to every qualified pupil. Supervision of the work of the schools is universal and compulsory. The State school fund is greatly assisting the rural towns of low valuation. But the work is far from complete. The town of Brookline, for example, spends upon every pupil in its schools \$50.84 annually, a tax-rate of \$2.04 per thousand supplying the money, while the town of Holden must tax itself at a rate nearly three times as high in order to spend less than half as much money upon each pupil.

Probably the equality of privilege of which President Capen wrote will not soon, if ever, exist at an equal taxation cost. Our rural communities must bear greater burdens than are borne by the great centers of wealth. The characteristic principle of Massachusetts policy, that of local initiative and control, will still persist. The people of each community will do the best they can for their own children. Led by their wisest and most public-spirited citizens, our rural towns will bear cheerfully the burdens which may be necessary in caring properly for their 'supreme communal interest,' the education of their children.

In closing, I wish to acknowledge the loyal co-operation of my associates in the schools, and to express to the ladies and gentlemen of the various committees my deep appreciation of their confidence and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES,

Superintendent of Schools.

Holden, Mass., March 10, 1906.

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TOWN CLERK

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1907

SELECTMEN

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

J. WARREN MOULTON

THOMAS P. O'HERRON

ASSESSORS

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

DENNIS A. SMITH

CHESTER W. DODGE

OVERSEERS OF POOR

DAVID F. SMITH

JOSEPH E. WARE

WILLIAM H. MAYNARD

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES

CHESTER W. DODGE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

CHARLES R. BARTLETT

Term expires 1908

WILLIAM F. MOORE

Resigned

HERBERT E. BUSH Appointed

Term expires 1907

GEORGE H. MILES

Term expires 1907

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1908

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1907

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1909

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM E. CHAMBERLAIN

Term expires 1909

DAVID P. BUTLER

Term expires 1907

WALTER A. WHEELER

Term expires 1908

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1907

MRS. SARAH D. MUNROE

Term expires 1908

MRS. SARA DRURY

Term expires 1909

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

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AUDITOR

FRANK H. THAYER

TREE WARDEN

GEORGE H. MILES

CONSTABLES

LOUIS M. HANFF

J. WARREN MOULTON

DENNIS A. SMITH

PETER S. O'CONNOR

ANDREW S. CHARTER

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

JOSEPH E. WARE

JAMES R. PUTNAM

GEORGE A. HATSTATT

ARTHUR E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

GEORGE M. TAYLOR

JOHN F. HARRIS

CLINTON W. PUTNAM

POUND-KEEPER

PETER S. O'CONNOR

CATTLE INSPECTOR

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ROLAND C. PRESCOTT

SPECIAL POLICE

WILLIAM F. MOORE

BYRON J. SPRAGUE

GEORGE H. MILES

WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To EITHER of the Constables of the Town of Rutland,
in the County of Worcester.

Worcester, ss.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, in said Rutland, on the twenty-fifth day of March inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the annual reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk for three years, for three Selectmen for one year, for three Assessors for one year, for three Overseers of Poor for one year, for a Town Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for five Constables for one year, for an Auditor for one year, for one member of the School Committee for three years, for one member of the Water Commissioners for three years, for one member of the Water Commissioners for two years, for one Trustee of Public

Library for three years, for one member of the Board of Health for three years, for a Surveyor of Highways for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may be closed at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for support of poor, for state and military aid, for salaries of town officers, for use on memorial day, for contingent expenses and paying debts.

ART. 8 To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 9 To see if the town will enforce the Sunday Law against hunting and fishing.

ART. 10 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the Water Department on account of hydrant service.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for maintainance of street lights, or act thereon.

ART. 12 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the employment of a School Physician.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to recind any or all votes in relation to furnishing water to the State Sanatorium.

ART. 14 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to meter the water used by water takers, or to take any action in relation thereto.

ART. 15 To see if the town will vote to pay certain bills against the town, held by Owen McGann, and A. O. Chickering, and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to purchase a set of scales for the use of the town, and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 17 To see if the town will vote to determine the compensation for breaking roads.

ART. 18 To see if the town will vote to purchase a fireproof safe for the use of the Assessors.

ART. 19 To see if the town will vote to accept of the security offered by the former Tax Collector.

ART. 20 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for Coperative Surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 21 To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 11, Section 339 of the Revised Statutes relating to the term of town officers.

ART. 22 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for repairs on the public buildings.

ART. 23 To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes and Treasurer.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of the town. One at each post-office and one at the Congregational Church in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and seven.

WM. C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,	
THOS. O'HERRON,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1906:

BIRTHS

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE
Female	_____	Nov. 3, 1905
Stillborn, male	_____	1906
Elmer Kendall	Arthur K. & Florence L. (Locke) Goodwin	Jan. 29
Zella Inez	Edward & Laura L. (Mugridge) Williams	March 13
Frederick Harold	Fred'k R. & Emma L. (Watson) Locke	March 16
Phillis Louise	H. Edw. & Nancy Della (Putnam) Wheeler	April 1
Mary	John & Mary (Boucher) Gregnon	May 1
Ralph Merrill	Merrill & Edith E. (Dudley) Eccleston	May 26
Frederick Russell	Jesse S. Josephine M. (Russell) Magoon	May 27
Marjorie Annette	Elleton W. & Bertha F. (Barnes) Ward	May 31
George	Clifford & Eva E. (Bernard) Bernard	June 6
*David McMillan	Walter J. & Jessie (McMillan) Marcley	July 6
Wharton Charter	Frank L. & Caltha A. (Charter) Mornay	July 14
Helen Gertrude	Patrick D. & Margaret (Myers) Murphy	July 17
James Herman	George H. & Catherine E. (Shea) Willis	Aug. 10
Arthur David, Jr.	Arthur D. & Ragny M. (Nordquist) Deroches	Aug. 17
Ruth Mary	Arthur C. & Mercie Ellen (Upham) Wheeler	Sept. 8
Marjorie Elizabeth	Edward C. & Mary A. (Demond) Viner	Oct. 6
Hazel Gertrude	William C. & Martha J. (Vinton) Hayes	Oct. 21
Sidney Irving, Jr.	Sidney I. & Jessie I. (Taylor) Dean	Oct. 31
*Mary Frances Stewart	William F. & Josephine F. (Keefe) Doran	Dec. 7
Russell Daniel	Daniel M. & Bessie H. (Kennear) Valley	Dec. 12
Lloyd Hamilton	Charles J. & Martha E. (Smith) Campbell	Dec. 25
Edna May	William H. & Dena M. (Cassavant) Scott	Dec. 28

*Born at Worcester

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAMES	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
February 9	David A. J. Deroches	Rutland	Rutland
	Ragny M. T. Nordquist		Rutland
May 1	Frank Laro	Rutland	Rutland
	Blanch Aldrich		Rutland
May 21	Thomas P. Daley	Holden	Bridgewater
	Nellie F Powers		Rutland
June 20	Ralph C. Whidden	Wareham	Rutland
	Bertha R. Standley		Waltham
July 17	Clifford L. Parker	Rutland	Worcester
	Nellie E. Griffin		Worcester
July 28	Edward Bousquit	Worcester	Rutland
	Edith Cheever		Rutland
October 21	Stephen I. Strong	Rutland	Rutland
	Lula E. Childs		Rutland
November 27	Henry N. Hindon	Rutland	Douglass
	Florence M. Parker		Rutland

DEATHS

DATE	NAME	AGE			RESIDENCE
		y.	m.	d.	
1905					
December 10	Michael J. Mahoney	20	—	—	Boston
1906					
January 2	Alex. Richards	24	6	—	Fitchburg
January 4	Louis N. Matthews	31	6	14	Springfield
January 5	Olaf Peterson	33	5	5	Worcester
January 8	Jacob Freed	26	3	3	Boston
January 27	Edward F. Gilman	32	4	—	Cambridge
January 28	Charles L. Loring	37	2	2	Boston
January 28	William E. Healy	61	4	30	Rutland
January 28	William A. Dalton	28	3	13	Boston
January 29	Stillborn, male	—	—	—	Rutland
February 1	Edmund Muzzy	83	11	29	Rutland
February 11	Mary Foster	90	4	4	Rutland
February 16	Abel Baker	91	1	26	Rutland
February 22	Michele La Riccia	20	—	—	Boston
February 23	Albert Arnold Goss	24	3	6	New London, Conn.
February 26	Frank Hardy	33	—	—	Boston
February 28	James B. Corcoran	37	11	9	Boston
March 12	Enola H. Aiken	1	—	27	Rutland
March 15	Jennie E. Holden	51	9	21	Rutland
March 20	Mary Agnes Moran	23	—	—	Worcester
April 5	Margaret Valley	36	6	25	Rutland
April 30	Thomas P. Lynch	35	—	—	Boston
May 6	Jacob Weiss	29	3	18	Boston
May 13	James Donegan	32	—	—	Everett
May 28	Daniel Crowley	43	—	25	Boston
May 27	Walter Clark Burbank	29	5	18	Boston
June 7	Melvina M. Woodman	36	2	8	Newtonville
June 7	Susanna Hunt	86	11	14	Rutland
June 29	Anna Hoyt	20	—	—	Boston
July 2	Herbert A. Houghton	36	10	6	Rutland
July 8	Mary E. O'Reilly	45	—	—	Rutland
July 18	Daniel O'Leary	78	—	—	Rutland
August 6	Molly C. Dearth	22	11	3	Attleboro
August 16	Harold George Shedd	24	5	—	Ludlow, Vt.
August 21	Elizabeth C. Scheidler	35	9	—	New Britain, Conn.
August 28	Patrick Moriarty	66	5	11	Rutland
September 1	Casmere Ghisallini	30	4	11	Springfield
September 26	Harold Wilson Bray	1	8	4	Rutland
October 3	Adelaide H. Draper	59	11	22	Worcester
October 5	Alice Connor	—	11	2	Rutland
November 8	Ivory Wales	87	9	29	Rutland
November 8	John H. Burns	52	—	—	Cambridge
December 3	Max Cohen	34	2	14	Boston
December 12	Walter John Smith	30	—	—	Boston
December 20	Nellie Moriarty	23	—	—	Whitinsville
December 20	George C. Johnson	27	2	10	Rockland
December 24	Charles McNulty	42	—	5	Attleboro
December 27	Margaret Gunn	30	—	5	Boston

Dogs licensed during the year 1906:

Cash received for 106 males, @ \$2.00

\$212 00

Cash received for 16 females @\$5.00

80 00

\$292 00

Less 122 fees @ \$0.20

24 40

Paid to County Treasurer

\$267 60

Of this amount, \$244.06 was returned to the town treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Town Clerk

Rutland, March 1, 1907

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending March 1, 1907

Dr.

Paid Roland Prescott, for burial of Margaret Valley	\$ 13 00
Worcester Hospital, for James Mellen's children	104 43
Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton	52 00
City of Worcester, for Alexander Lovely	2 15
Miles Holden, groceries for Harvender family	4 77
City of Worcester, for Percy Mills	9 00
City of Worcester, for Rosa Rone	146 00
City of Boston, for Fred Hatstatt	45 00
	\$376 35

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Received from Fred W. Hatstatt	\$45 00
Overseers of Poor Provincetown for the Harvender family	4 77
	\$49 77
Net expense of supporting poor the past year	\$326 58

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID F. SMITH, W. H. MAYNARD, JOSEPH E. WARE,	}	Overseers of Poor
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REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

The sum of sixteen hundred dollars (\$1,600.00) was appropriated by the town for the repairs of roads and bridges.

I submit bills in detail of the expenditures.

In the month of April	\$111 87
May	422 39
June	447 36
July	109 39
August	143 25
September	214 38
October	45 25
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	\$1,493 89
Lumber for fencing and bridges	117 44
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	\$1,611 33

ROAD TOOLS OWNED BY THE TOWN,

2 road machines
 5 shovels
 4 picks
 1 stone hammer
 2 iron bars
 2 stone forks
 2 stone hooks
 2 brush scythes
 1 cleaver

F. D. FORBUSH,
Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RESOURCES

Balance due from last year	\$15 41	
Appropriation	129 23	
Received from fines and sale of cards	2 73	
Total receipts		\$147 37

EXPENDITURES

Paid Librarian's salary	\$78 00	
For new book	1 35	
Express and supplies	2 55	
E. H. Tripp, for supplies and cards	10 25	
Library Bureau, supplies for reorganizing	6 38	
Mrs. Mary D. R. Smith, for assistance in classifying	20 00	
Mrs. H. E. Bush, for assistance in classi- fying	20 00	
Alice E. Putnam, part of bill for board of lady organizer	4 00	
Mrs. Sara B. Drury, supplies	1 35	
Total expenditures		\$143 88
Balance unexpended		\$3 49

The number of books taken from the library has been 2,100

Through the generosity of individuals and various organizations the reading room is well supplied with standard literature, which we hope the people of the town will make use of. The publications which have been kindly contributed, are as follows:

Scientific American, Outlook, The World of To-day and Cosmopolitan, given by The Fire Department.

Leslie's Weekly, The Travel Magazine and McClure's Magazine given by the Home Relief and The Woman's Union.

The Country Gentlemen, Farming, New England Homestead, given by the Grange.

The Christian Endeavor World, given by the Christian Endeavor Society.

Country Life in America, given by David F. Putnam

St. Nicholas, given by Mrs. J. P. Munroe.

Saturday Evening Post, given by Mrs. W. H. Bartlett

Ladies' Home Journal, given by Mrs. Mary Converse.

A Map of the United States, given by C. W. Dodge.

Three Books have been given by L. Q. Spaulding.

One Book given by Mrs. S. E. Munroe

Three Books given by The Christian Science Publishing Society

Twelve Books given by The Swedenborg Publishing Society.

The appearance of the reading room has been much improved by being tinted, which work was contributed by Mr. Spaulding.

A short time since B. W. Potter, Esq., presented to the town a bust of Abraham Lincoln, which has been placed in the reading room, helping very much to beautify it.

Early in the winter we were successful in interesting the State Library Commission, in the condition of our Library, and they agreed to furnish an expert to reorganize and classify the Library, providing we would furnish board and what assistance was needed. Accordingly in January we made arrangements for the work to be done, part of the board of the lady was contributed by Mrs. Spaulding, and the rest furnished at a low rate by Miss Putnam.

The services of the Librarian and Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Smith were secured as assistants, and they gave their time for a comparatively small compensation. The work lasted four weeks, and being completed, leaves the Library now in better working order than it ever was before.

To all those who have so kindly contributed to the Reading Room, and to the work of putting the Library in its present condition, the Trustees wish to hereby express their thanks. And we trust that the citizens will show their appreciation of the improved condition of the Library, by making a more general use of it,

We wish that the coming year there may be a catalogue printed, making a list of the contents of the library, easily available to the people.

We therefore ask that the whole of the dog fund be appropriated for the use of the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Library</i>
MRS. SARAH E. MUNROE,	
MRS. SARA B. DRURY,	

Trustees

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1907

The Selectmen herewith submit their report for the year ending March 1, 1907, and have drawn 463 orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$13,816 58 as follows :

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$800 00	\$800 00
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TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff	\$41 60	\$41 60
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SELECTMEN

Wm. C. Temple	\$90 00	
J. Warren Moulton	85 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	85 00	
		\$260 00

ASSESSORS

George S. Putnam	\$76 25	
Dennis A. Smith	62 50	
Chester W. Dodge	62 50	
Otis E. Bowen, 1905	47 50	
		\$248 75

OVERSEERS OF POOR

David F. Smith	\$10 00	
Joseph E. Ware		
Wm. H. Maynard	5 00	
		\$15 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Charles R. Bartlett	\$10 00	
Wm. F. Moore, resigned		
George H. Miles	10 00	
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Herbert E. Bush, appointed		\$20 00

COLLECTOR

C. W. Dodge, Taxes	\$188 23	
C. W. Dodge, Water Rents	26 00	
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		\$214 23

TREASURER

C. W. Dodge	\$100 00	\$100 00
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AUDITOR

Frank H. Thayer	\$20 00	\$20 00
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TREE WARDEN

George H. Miles	\$1 00	\$1 00
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REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff	\$9 00	
William C. Temple	7 00	
J. Warren Moulton	7 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	7 00	
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		\$30 00

ELECTION OFFICERS

C. T. Oliver	\$2 00	
C. J. Campbell	6 00	
J. M. Moulton	2 00	
D. A. Smith	4 00	
Lawrence E. Smith	2 00	
Herman D. Bray	2 00	
Matthew Delehanty	4 00	
Thos. P. O'Herron 1904 and 1905	4 00	
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		\$26 00

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND MEAT

George S. Putnam	\$75 00	\$75 00
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SEXTON

Roland C. Prescott	\$20 00	\$20 00
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CONSTABLES

Louis M. Hanff	\$13 50	
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J. Warren Moulton 1905 and 1906	13 00	
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Dennis A. Smith	8 00	
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Peter S. O'Connor 1905	14 00	
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\$48 50

Amount expended	\$1,120 08
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Balance overdrawn	\$320 08
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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$4,200 00
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Receipts from all other sources	1,965 63
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Total	<hr/> \$6,165 63
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Orders drawn	\$6,179 75
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Overdrawn	\$14 12
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(See report of School Committee)

POOR

Appropriation	\$300 00
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Orders drawn	376 35
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Overdrawn	<hr/> \$76 35
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(See Report of Overseers of Poor)

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$1,600 33
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Orders drawn	1,611 00
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Overdrawn	<hr/> \$11 33
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(See report of Highway surveyor)

MILITARY AID

Appropriation	\$50 00
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Orders drawn	48 00
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Balance unexpended	<hr/> \$2 00
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MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$25 00
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Paid L. Q. Spaulding for G. A. R.	\$25 00
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ENFORCING LIQUOR LAW

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Paid L. M. Hanff for four raids	22 06	
Balance unexpended		\$77 94

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$129 23	
Balance from last year	15 41	
Total Appropriation		\$144 64
Orders drawn		141 33
Balance unexpended		\$3 31

(See Trustees' report)

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$125 00	
Balance from last year	109 78	
Total appropriation		\$234 78
Paid E. A. Buck & Co., gasolene	73 31	
The Best Light Co., supplies	35 65	
John Dickson, care of lights	90 37	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	4 32	
G. H. Clark & Co., gasolene and wood alcohol	10 89	
American Express Co., express	70	
Total of orders drawn		\$215 24
Balance unexpended		\$19 54

ROAD MACHINE

Appropriation		\$250 00
Paid John L. Smith, machine	\$183 59	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	6 41	
Total cost of machine		\$190 00
Balance unexpended		\$60 00

HOUSE FOR ROAD MACHINE

Appropriation	\$75 00	
Balance left from road machine	60 00	
Total appropriation		\$135 00
Paid J. Warren Moulton, contract for house		115 00
Balance unexpended		\$20 00
Out of this balance an order has been drawn to Ross Bros., for a plow to go with road machine, of		14 00
Leaving unexpended		\$6 00

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCOUNT

Wheeler Foundry Co., castings	\$ 2 58
L. M. Hanff, coal	140 99
American Express Co., express	1 75
J. E. Ware, wood	6 00
Mason Brush Works, brushes	7 00
Clark Sawyer Co., duster	2 00
Ross Bros., supplies	65
John Dickson, plumbing	4 25
Frank S. Pratt, coal	399 48
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	80 41
Geo. E. Gorden, shoveling coal	8 60
L. M. Hanff, drawing coal	37 09
Miles Holden, oil, lamp chimneys, etc.	29 90
Dennis O'Herron, wood	12 00
Fuller & Warren Co., repairs on lavatories	20 25
J. W. Moulton, oil tank	3 00
Fuller & Warren Co., grates	21 75
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe cover	4 49
C. W. Dodge, cement	1 00
Washburn & Garfield Co., pipe fittings	8 00
Smith & Thayer Co., grate shaker	60
W. C. Temple, wood	8 25
J. Warren Moulton, repairing grates	1 00
L. M. Hanff, varnish, shellac and labor	17 70
B. J. Sprague, Janitor	220 00
Geo. H. Miles, Janitor	240 00
B. J. Sprague, supplies	4 50
Geo. H. Miles, supplies	9 03
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	\$1,292 27
Of the above account two- thirds or	\$861 51
is charged in the School account, and one-	
third or	430 75
is charged to the public building.	
The treasurer has received from rentals of	
building	195 25
Leaving as a balance for maintainance of	
building	235 50
for which nothing is appropriated.	

SNOW BILLS

Appropriation for Snow and incidentals	\$1,500 00
L. H. Stearns	\$2 67
Clifton J. Davis	9 34
C. Benoit	3 50
Joseph Benoit	3 16
J. E. O'Leary	12 83
James Miller	3 00
Della Laton	6 00
C. T. Oliver	3 84
Thomas Williams	2 42
Clarence Prescott	10 88
D. A. Smith	13 59
Fred R. Locke	12 33
John Hains	16 70
F. H. Mellen	2 92
Geo. M. Davis	8 26
W. H. Hammond	2 33
Joseph Strong	7 66
James Hammond	4 98
C. J. Campbell	10 08
Matthew Delahanty	9 48
N. I Sargent	3 63
John Henderson	6 89
J. J. Walsh	7 83
Joseph Shaw	26 50
Geo. Strong	83
Geo. H. Miles	66
F. D. Wellington	2 17
L. R. Bigelow	5 30
Dennis O'Herron	12 00
Geo. H. Rich	1 83
H. W. Calkins	8 58
Daniel McCarty	4 50
H. E. Smith	1 16
W. H. Prescott	3 41
C. B. Matthews	14 22
G. H. Willis	6 01
Geo. M. Taylor	18 09

W. W. Prescott	\$2 00
Henry Monahan	8 52
Geo. Hammond	3 67
Chas. E. Parker	9 20
Frank Forward	4 68
Chas. W. Gilbert	26 17
W. H. Maynard	13 00
Lewis Merriam	7 83
Frank D. Forbush	7 66
Geo. E. Thresher	6 37
Geo. H. Rice	5 71
A. E. Sargent	7 40
J. W. Munroe	2 96
Howard S. Davis	13 00
James Henderson	11 17
W. C. Temple	15 39

 \$414 31

INCIDENTALS

Louis M. Hanff, insurance on public building	\$30 00
David P. Butler, supplies for Board of Health	6 52
Edward H. Tripp, printing reports	67 00
C. F. Lawrence & Co., printing ballots	17 00
American Express Co., express	40
Sanford-Putnam Co., note book	75
Louis M. Hanff, court fees	13 50
C. W. Dodge, office supplies and renewing notes	6 75
T. S. Heald, maintaining watering tub	3 25
Louis M. Hanff, court fees	10 17
Duncan, Goodell Co., door locks, etc.	30 15
Davis & Cook, treasurer's bond	32 00
Sanford-Putnam Co., Assessors' supplies	7 00
Worcester County Abstract Co., examination of titles	12 30
Carter Ink Co., record ink	1 25
P. B. Murphy, dog blanks	1 25
George L. Rich, labor on town hall	33 39
E. H. Tripp, printing for Board of Health and Assessors	3 75
American Express Co., express	1 05
C. W. Dodge, expense renewing notes	6 75
E. H. Tripp, town order book	4 50

L. Q. Spaulding, interest on old bill	\$11 81
E. H. Tripp, dog and tax notices	6 00
Louis M. Hanff, court fees	19 35
H. Edward Wheeler, cutting brush in old cemetery	5 00
C. W. Dodge, renewing notes, expenses to Boston about loan	10 00
Frank A. Smith, insurance on road machine house	10 00
E. H. Tripp, printing valuation reports	41 25
C. W. Dodge, postage and envelopes	5 10
Stanard Extinguisher Co., fire extinguishers	37 50
R. C. Prescott, death returns	4 75
Henry M. Meek Co., assessor's blanks	6 00
F. D. Forbush, special repairs on highway	16 53
L. M. Hanff, court fees	19 07
Geo. M. Davis, maintaining water tub	2 50
Sanford-Putnam Co., town officer book	4 00
E. H. Tripp, tax blanks	5 87
C. W. Dodge, stationery, expenses to Worcester to pay notes	8 65
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight	25
L. M. Hanff, court fees	22 93
E. W. Merrick, court fees	14 42
Sanford-Putnam Co., stationery	1 63
E. H. Tripp, tax collector's notices	1 00
E. H. Tripp, printing for Board of Health	2 50
Elmer C. Potter, counsel fees	6 00
P. S. O'Connor, blacksmith work	14 00
L. Q. Spaulding, shelving and labor in reading room	19 50
L. Q. Spaulding, care of clock and repairs	21 15
W. C. Temple, telephoning, express and postage	3 93
J. W. Moulton, telephoning and postage	1 25
L. M. Hanff, return of vital statistics	31 20
L. M. Hanff, administering oath to town officers	4 00
L. M. Hanff, telephoning	3 15
L. M. Hanff, painting hearse house, 1904	18 77
C. W. Dodge, stationery and expense to Worcester	6 10
B. J. Sprague, care of public grounds	20 00
Total incidentals	\$694 39
Snow bills	414 31
Total	\$1,108 70
Balance unexpended	\$391 30

RECAPITULATION

Town Officers	\$1,120 07
Public schools, including $\frac{2}{3}$ public building acct	6,179 75
Support of Poor	376 35
Highways	1,611 33
State and Military Aid	484 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Enforcing Liquor Law	22 06
Water Department	1,783 00
Public Library	141 33
Street Lights	215 24
Snow Bills	414 31
Incidentals	694 39
Public Building, $\frac{1}{3}$ account	430 75
Road Machine	190 00
Road Machine House and Plow	129 00
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	\$13,816 58

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

State Treasurer, water loan	\$20,000 00
“ “ “ “	2,500 00
“ “ building loan	11,900 00
“ “ refund loan	3,000 00
People's Savings Bank, ten-year loan	12,000 00
“ “ “ temporary loan	17,800 00
Hersom Brothers, water loan	1,500 00
Jose Parker & Co., water loan	300 00
Mabel and Ethel Heald, two notes	400 00
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	\$69,400 00

RESOURCES

Due from State Aid	\$464 00	
Unpaid water rents	663 91	
L. M. Hanff	600 00	
C. W. Dodge, uncollected taxes from		
L. M. Hanff	3818 31	
C. W. Dodge, uncollected taxes, 1903	254 50	
" " " " 1904	329 80	
" " " " 1905	919 11	
" " " " 1906	5379 30	
Cash on hand	2564 48	
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		\$14,993 41
Leaving a balance against the town without deducting the value of the water system		<hr/>
		\$54,406 59

APPROPRIATIONS

	For 1906	Amount Paid Out	Reccommended For 1907
Town Officers	\$ 800 00	\$1,120 07	\$1,000 00
Public Schools	4,200 00	6,179 75	4,200 00
From other sources	1,965 63		
Support of poor	300 00	376 35	300 00
Refunded	49 77		
Highways	1,600 00	1,611 33	1,600 00
Military aid	50 00	48 00	50 00
Memorial Day	25 00	25 00	25 00
Liquor Law	100 00	22 06	50 00
Water Department	350 00		350 00
Public Library	144 64	141 33	dog fund 244 66
Street Lights	234 78	215 24	250 00
Snow bills, incidentals	1,500 00	1,108 70	1,500 00
Road Machine	250 00	190 00	
House for Machine	135 00	115 00	
Road Plow		14 00	
Debts and interest	4,000 00	5,183 63	5,500 00
Public Building, receipts	195 25	430 75	250 00
Tools for highway			25 00
Repairs on Public Building			150 00

LIST OF NAMES SELECTED BY THE SELECTMEN TO SERVE AS
JURORS FOR THE YEAR 1907

Lawrence E. Smith	Merchant
Wm. J. Hunt	Carpenter
Thomas P. O'Herron	Farmer
Herman D. Bray	Farmer
Henry B. Davis	Painter
James Hammond	Farmer
A. Clifford Wheeler	Farmer
Frank H. Thayer	Clerk
Peter S. O'Connor	Blacksmith
Wm. H. Maynard	Stone Mason
George F. Handy	Shoemaker
George M. Taylor	Farmer
Walter H. Prescott	Carpenter
Lewis R. Bigelow	Lumberman
H. Edward Wheeler	Farmer
Matthew Cullen	Farmer

GUIDE POSTS AND BOARDS ERECTED

- One near S. B. Bray place
- One near E. C. Dudley place
- One at junction of Barre and Paxton roads
- One at West Rutland near Post Office
- One near Charles Pierce place
- Two near Patrick Delehanty's
- Two near Henry Kennan place
- One near C. W. Gilbert's
- One near Gen. Putnam Memorial
- One near Muschopauge House

One near Center Post Office
 One near Pound Hill
 One near Daniel Nihin's
 One near Walter Bartlett's
 One near M. Myron Smith's
 One near Charles R. Bartlett's
 One near C. B. Matthews'
 One near Greenleaf Corner
 One near Benjamin Allen place
 One near Addison Childs'
 One at New Boston Corner
 One near W. J. Broadmerkle's
 One near Levi H. Stearns'
 One near Sargent's Corner
 One near Upham's Corner
 One near W. A. Wheeler's
 One near North Rutland School-house

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, } *Selectmen*
 J. WARREN MOULTON, } *of*
 THOMAS P. O'HERRON, } *Rutland*

Rutland, March 1, 1907

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

1906 C. W. Dodge, Treas., in acct. with the Town of Rutland. Dr.

RECEIVED

March	1	Cash on hand	\$1,951 06
	1	State Sanatorium, water rent	83 33
	1	Central District Court	52
April	1	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	686 45
	1	" " " interest on taxes	38 83
	7	B. F. Sprague, rent for town hall	9 50
	20	State Sanatorium, water rent	89 33
May	1	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	622 88
	1	" " " interest on taxes	21 59
	5	B. F. Sprague, rent on town hall	21 50
	10	L. M. Hanff, on back taxes	278 50
	19	State Sanatorium, water rent	83 33
	21	J. N. Powe, pool table license	10 00
June	1	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	417 28
	1	" " " interest on taxes	14 28
	2	L. M. Hanff, on back taxes	125 00
	2	B. F. Sprague, hall rent	17 50
	22	People's Savings Bank	1,000 00
	22	State Sanatorium, water rent	83 33
July	2	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	481 96
	2	" " " interest on taxes	11 80
	7	L. M. Hanff, on back taxes	110 00
	7	C. R. Bartlett, on water rents	452 11
	16	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on water rents	233 27
Aug.	1	" " " on taxes	592 17
	1	" " " interest on taxes	37 53
	3	State School Fund	191 50
	7	People's Savings Bank	1,000 00
	10	B. F. Sprague, rent on town hall	31 00

Aug.	18	State of Mass., tuition of children	\$71 50
	18	Compensation of inspection of animals	37 50
	18	Trustees Lyman Industrial School, public schools	52 00
	22	State Sanatorium, water rent	166 66
	31	“ “ water rents	346 03
Sept.	1	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	1,001 91
	1	“ “ “ interest on taxes	54 95
	1	B. F. Sprague, rent on town hall	15 00
	13	C. W. Putnam, “ “ “	10 00
	17	State Sanatorium, water rent	83 33
Oct.	2	Central District Court	10 28
	2	C. W. Dodge, on taxes	992 15
	6	“ “ interest on taxes	26 50
	6	L. M. Hanff, on old taxes	107 10
	6	George H. Miles, rent on town hall	27 75
Oct.	20	State Sanatorium, water rent	83 33
Nov.	1	C. W. Dodge, on taxes	3,482 47
	1	C. W. Dodge, interest on taxes	111 89
	3	L. M. Hanff, on old taxes	600 00
	3	Geo. H. Miles, hall rent	29 00
	6	From Town of Oakham, tuition	40 00
	15	State Treas., on Corporation tax	59 79
	15	“ “ National Bank tax	1 54
	15	“ “ Military aid	24 00
	15	“ “ State aid	574 00
	15	“ “ Transport of paupers	1 30
	15	“ “ High School tuition	300 00
	22	State Sanatorium, water rents	83 33
Dec.	1	L. M. Hanff, on old taxes	166 25
	1	George H. Miles, rent on town hall	14 50
	1	L. M. Hanff, auctioneer's license	1 00
	3	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	3,200 14
	3	“ “ “ interest on taxes	32 19
1907			
Jan.	1	County Treasurer, dog fund	244 66
	1	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	2,175 88
	1	“ “ “ interest on taxes	45 02
	3	M. J. Quimby, for wood	2 50
	5	George H. Miles, hall rent	17 00
	7	Jesse Allen, superintendent of small schools	312 50

Jan.	7	C. W. Dodge, water rents	\$72 80
	8	State Treasurer, Mass. school funds	995 63
	19	State Sanatorium, water rents	83 33
Feb.	6	State Sanatorium, water rent	83 37
	6	" " 5 tons coal	35 00
	6	Engineers service	25 00
	6	C. W. Dodge, Collector, on taxes	1,343 00
	6	" " " interest on taxes	36 16
	9	George H. Miles, hall rent	10 25
	7	L. M. Hanff, old tax account	416 62
	9	" " interest on old taxes	83 91
	20	Fred Hatstat, hospital bill	45 00
	20	State Sanatorium	83 33
March	2	State, State Corporation tax	7 25
	2	George H. Miles, rent of hall	9 75
	2	Town water rents collected	528 60
	2	C. W. Dodge, taxes collected	1,136 48
	2	" " interest on taxes collected	62 10
	2	L. M. Hanff, old taxes	433 31
	2	" " interest on old taxes	16 26
		" " cash due the town	235 23
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			\$29,043 42

PAID

1906

March	14	Ethel Heald, on note	\$45 00
	20	State Treasurer, interest on notes, \$25,000	40 62
	21	People's Savings Bank, interest	20 00
April	16	Ethel Heald, on note	30 00
	18	State Treasurer, note	500 00
	18	" " interest on notes, \$3,500	56 87
May	1	" " interest on notes, \$11,500	201 25
	4	People's Savings Bank, interest on notes, \$4,200	84 00
	14	" " " interest on notes	45 00
June	2	Ethel Heald, on note	10 00
	5	People's Savings Bank, interest \$2,500	50 00
	29	" " " interest 6,460	260 00
	29	" " " interest 1,000	22 50
	29	" " " interest 2,500	60 00

July	16	Hersom Brothers, interest on bond	\$26 25
	16	People's Savings Bank, on note	500 00
	16	" " " interest on note \$2,000	45 00
	27	" " " interest on note 1,000	22 50
	31	" " " interest on note	20 00
Aug.	1	State Treasurer, interest on \$500	9 38
	1	" " interest on notes	240 62
	1	" " note	500 00
	8	People's Savings Bank. interest	10 00
	9	" " " interest	20 00
	15	State Treasurer, note	300 00
	15	" " interest and notes	134 38
	15	" " interest on note	19 50
	19	People's Savings Bank, interest	55 25
	31	Jose Parker & Co., interest on note \$300	6 00
Sept	18	Ethel M. Heald, on note	25 00
	20	State Treasurer, interest on notes	40 63
	20	People's Savings Bank, interest	22 50
	27	One-half County tax	385 00
Oct.	3	City of Worcester Treasurer	9 00
	8	Ethel M. Heald, on note	25 00
	11	People's Savings Bank, note	500 00
	11	" " " interest on note	5 50
	17	State Treasurer, interest on notes \$3,000	48 75
Nov.	1	National Bank of the Republic	500 00
	1	" " " " interest	8 75
	1	State Treasurer, interest	192 50
	4	People's Savings Bank, interest	94 50
	5	" " " note	1,000 00
	5	" " " note	1,000 00
	5	" " " interest on \$2,000	47 63
	15	State Treasurer, State	770 00
	15	" " repairing state highway	7 45
	15	" " check to balance state account	183 69
	28	County Treasurer, one-half County tax	385 00
	28	People's Savings Bank, interest	45 00
Dec.	3	" " " interest	56 25
	14	Ethel Heald, on note	15 00
	28	People's Savings Bank, interest on notes	240 00
	28	" " " interest on notes	67 50

1907

Jan.	3	Hersom Brothers interest on note	\$26 25
	8	People's Savings Bank, note	1,000 00
	8	" " " interest on note	20 25
	16	" " " interest on note	45 00
	16	" " " interest on note	22 50
	25	State Treasurer, interest on \$20,000	375 00
	26	People's Savings Bank	1,000 00
	26	" " " interest	75
	26	" " " "	20 00
Feb.	6	" " " note	11 25
	15	State Treasurer, interest on note	14 62
	20	People's Savings Bank, interest	58 50
	23	" " " note	1,000 00
	23	" " " interest on note	19 13
		Ethel M. Heald, on note	35 00
			<hr/> \$12,662 37
		Town orders fund	13,816 57
		Cash in treasury to balance account	2,564 48
			<hr/> \$29,043 42

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

1907

March 1	Balance in Five Cents Savings Bank	\$100 00
1	Dividend	3 52
		<hr/> \$103 52

C. W. DODGE, *Treasurer*

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR

1903	Taxes to collect March 1st, 1906	\$1,298 18
1904	" " " " " "	2,693 79
1905	" " " " " "	4,996 17
1906	" " " " " "	15,076 15
	L. M. Hanff's taxes, from 1897 to 1903	4,267 62
1903	Taxes collected	798 11
	Taxes, interest on taxes	111 79
	" abated	160 89
	" collected by D. S. Thurston and not credited	27 15
	Taxes collected by A. B. Pratt and not credited	57 53
1904	Taxes collected	2,036 54
	Interest, taxes collected	246 43
	" taxes abated	174 30
	Int., taxes collected by D. S. Thurston, not credited	94 29
	Interest, taxes collected by A. B. Pratt, not credited	58 86
1905	Taxes collected	3,925 02
	Interest on taxes collected	114 31
	" " " abated.	132 79
	Taxes collected by A. B. Pratt and not credited	19 25
1906	Tax collected	9,234 62
	Interest on taxes collected	22 33
	Tax abated	462 23
	Collected on L. M. Hanff's taxes	433 31
	Interest on " " "	16 26
	Total collected March 1, 1907	16,566 10
	Total interest collected March 1, 1907	511 12
1903	Taxes to collect	254 50
1904	" "	329 80
1905	" "	919 11
1906	" "	5,379 30
	L. M. Hanff's 1897 to 1903	3,834 31

WATER REPORT

Received from Sanatorium. 12 months	\$1,000 00	
C. R. Bartlett, cash	452 11	
Town water rents, due July 1, 1906,	682 39	
“ “ “ Jan. 1, 1907,	511 60	
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		\$2,846 10
March 9 Due on bills due July 1, 1906	\$635 75	
“ “ “ “ Jan. 1, 1907	45 16	
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		\$680 91
July 1 Water bills received to collect	\$1,318 14	
Jan. 1 Water bills received	556 76	
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		\$1,874 90

C. W. DODGE, *Collector*

DELINQUENT TAX PAYERS.

1903		1905	
Edwin Bigelow	\$2 00	Charles Ashtrom	\$ 2 46
Robert Cushman, Jr.	2 00	Charles R. Bartlett	86 19
A. O. Chickering	28 98	George C. Bond	8 32
Enos Neagle	2 00	Charles E. Bigelow	2 00
Peter S. O'Connor	74 65	Frances Bowen	2 00
John E. O'Leary	51 27	Mrs. Christina Bowen	8 32
Wm. B. Chaffee	83	Felix Bosquet	2 00
M. D. Potter	41 75	Mrs. Mina Bosquet	2 59
E. Preston	5 73	William A. Curtice	55 84
John Scott	2 00	Manner Cannon	2 00
W. S. Scott	2 00	Fletcher B. Cannon	64 74
Henry B. Sanders	2 07	Thomas Connor	21 60
Edward Williams	23 84	P. E. Davis	2 00
Ellis Wilson	2 00	G. R. Edson	136 50
Geo. C. Bond	9 31	Charles E. Earl	2 00
Willie Wilson	4 07	George F. Goldthwait	60 89
		Frank Gonyer	3 39
	\$254 50	Michael Gleason	11 78
1904		Victor St. Germain	2 00
Laura Adams	\$1 40	William J. Hunt	46 67
Edwin Bigelow	2 00	J. P. Henderson	31 65
Mrs. Christina Bowen	5 13	Charles Howe	9 25
George W. Demick	2 00	William Howe, Heirs	27 75
G. R. Edson	38 40	Marshall J. Haynes	20 35
Patrick Fitzpatrick	2 00	Charles S. Flint	46
Alexander Loveley	12 48	Lewis Freeman	93
John Lock	2 00	Joseph Laro	2 00
Lawrence Swason	2 00	E. A. Maynard	2 00
P. S. O'Connor	116 27	Thomas Meyers	2 00
John E. O'Leary	59 43	George F. Neuman	2 00
Charles A. Stone	2 69	P. S. O'Connor	110 32
Victor St. Germain	2 00	John E. O'Leary	57 87
Frederick Saduskey	2 00	Margaret Riley	22 00
John Taylor	2 00	George E. Scott	5 33
Wm. J. Welch	2 00	Joel Stone	16 65
Edward Williams	25 40	Julus Shultz	2 00
Harry S. Wilson	2 00	Fred J. Tucker	3 11
Willie W. Wilson	3 95	Edward Williams	24 20
George C. Bond	8 77	George H. Willis	49 82
A. O. Chickering	8 58	Jacob Weiss	2 00
Lewis Freeman	98	A. O. Chickering	2 13
Marshall J. Haynes	16 57	H. R. Sanders	
Charles Howe	9 75	George W. Demick	2 00
	\$329 80		\$919 11

C. W. DODGE, *Collector*

REPORT OF THE SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT

The Water System has supplied all the demands of its patrons during the year, in furnishing a good supply of pure water at a cost of about six and one-third cents per one thousand gallons.

Early in the year a leak was discovered at the State Sanatorium, which was repaired by the Institution, and the sum of \$60 paid the town for maintaining the leak. There have been fewer leaks than in some former years, and the pumping plant has required only ordinary repairs.

The Water Commissioners have renovated the interior of the building by laying a new floor in the pump room, and painting the walls, making work bench and closet, at an expense of about \$35.

Service connections have been made at two places, Miss Sally Bourne, Maple avenue, and John Boyle's store, Main street.

The expected increase in revenue from the State Sanatorium will, in the future, no doubt, help in paying up the notes on water loans as they become due, and put the Water System on a good paying basis.

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND

450 feet inch galvanized pipe
 50 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch galvanized pipe
 1 faucet
 1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch corporation cock
 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch stop and waste cock
 1 $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch shut off
 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tees
 6 soldering nipples
 10 picks
 2 hammers
 10 spades
 1 grub axe
 2 drills
 4 lanterns
 1 2-inch die plate

- 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills
- 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps
- 2 wrenches for sidewalk shut-off
- 2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps
- 1 1-inch tap
- 1 1-inch drill
- 1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamer
- 1 1-inch reamer
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch die plate ratchet plate
- 1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch and $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch die plate
- 1 2-inch die plate
- 1 2-inch Stanwood cutter
- 1 expander
- 1 gate wrench
- 1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter
- 1 2-inch Walworth cutter
- 1 18-inch Stillson wrench
- 1 24-inch Stillson wrench
- 1 wall vice
- 1 wall hinge vice
- 2 packer's sleeve ratchets
- 1 tube scraper

RECORD OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN THE TOWN OF RUTLAND FOR THE YEAR 1906

January	3,297,800 gallons
February	3,891,176 "
March	3,937,400 "
April	3,191,856 "
May	3,082,401 "
June	3,489,800 "
July	3,131,456 "
August	3,426,976 "
September	3,153,016 "
October	3,050,384 "
November	2,849,000 "
December	2,753,680 "
	<hr/> 39,254,945 "

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Paid Interest on water loan	\$857 50
Edward Viner, engineer's services	486 40
Garfield & Proctor, coal	104 98
L. M. Hanff, coal	103 95
E. Russell Norton, coal	395 22
B. & M. R. R., freight on coal	227 10
B. & M. R. R., freight on pipe and fixtures	6 94
George H. Miles, drawing coal	8 00
A. C. Wheeler, drawing coal	62 15
Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe, fixtures	79 53
Washburn & Garfield Co., pipe and fixtures	6 25
“ “ supplies, packing, etc.	1 75
P. S. O'Connor, drawing coal and blacksmithing (old bill)	40 40
W. H. Sawyer, lumber for floors at pumping station	17 50
Deane Steam Pump Co., supplies	12 00
Geo. H. Miles, lumber for bench at pumping station	1 50
C. Stewart & Son, grate and labor on boiler	21 00
J. B. DeShago, inspecting boiler	5 00
Knowles Steam Pump Co., supplies	14 24
Reversible Tube Cleaner Co., for cleaner	3 00
E. N. Leyman, trucking	12 20
James Scott, trucking	2 63
Paul Wellington, trucking	6 20
J. W. Monahan, trucking	3 98
Joseph Strong, trucking	6 25
J. H. Nihin, trucking	7 50
H. E. Smith, trucking	3 25
E. Viner, trucking	2 91
C. R. Bartlett, trucking	1 00
“ “ drawing pipe	1 00
“ “ supt. services, postage and telephone	21 50
Miles Holden, oil and sundries	13 40
George S. Dixon, oil	3 60
M. Loughman, blacksmithing	4 50

C. C. Lowell, paint for pumping station	\$5 10	
Stephen Broderick, painting, pumping station	5 50	
John Dickson, labor	80	
E. Viner, repairing leaks	12 07	
“ piping	11 55	
“ tapping pipe	3 61	
“ repairing pump and boiler	14 80	
“ laying floor, making bench, etc	12 88	
“ wood for pumping station	17 50	
“ repairing watering places	4 20	
“ teaming, lumber, etc.	1 05	
“ whitewashing at pumping station	2 50	
“ paying Washburn & Garfield bill	30	
“ cutting tree at pumping station	1 55	
“ team two time to Jefferson, for Stuart's man	1 50	
“ hay to cover pipe at stand pipe	75	
“ expense paid	50	
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		\$2,640 50

MAINTAINANCE OF WATER DEPARTMENT

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Taking out the following items from Financial Statement,	\$2,640 50	
Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe and fixtures	\$79 53	
E. N. Leyman, trenching	12 20	
James Scott, trenching	2 63	
Paul Wellington, trenching	6 20	
J. W. Monahan, trenching	3 98	
Joseph Strong, trenching	6 25	
P. S. O'Connor, old bill, drawing coal, blacksmithing,	40 40	
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		\$151 19
Leaves expense of maintainance		<hr/>
		\$2,489 31

Dr.

Received from State Sanatorium one year's water rent	\$1,000 00
" " for supply extra water	
maintaining leak	60 00
due from patrons for water rent and service	
connection to Jan. 1, 1907,	1,076 14
Due from town appropriation for hydrant service	350 00
town for supplying public building with water	20 00
town for supplying 2 public watering places	10 00
town for fountain at Rural Cemetery	10 00
State Sanatorium, water rent in excess of	
amount paid, estimated	150 00
Value of coal on hand March 1, 1907, estimated	25 00
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	\$2,701 14
Leaving a balance in favor of the town of	\$211 83
Amount due on water for water rent, March	
1, 1906, (as reported)	\$1,096 24
Amount due on service connections, March 1,	
1906, (as reported)	82 80
Amount due on trucking, March 1, 1906,	27 21
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	\$1,206 25
Amount of bills for water rent, service con-	
nection and trenching, due Jan. 1, 1906,	
and committed to C. W. Dodge, Treas.	
and Collector, July 7, 1906, with \$24.62	
interest added	\$778 76
Amount collected and turned over to C. W.	
Dodge, Treas and Collector, July 7, 1906	452 11
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	\$1,230 87
Less amount of interest for six months, on old	
bills to July 1, 1906	24 62
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	\$1,206 25

Amount of bills for water rent, etc., for six months, ending July 1, 1906, committed to C. W. Dodge, Treas. and Collector of taxes	\$539 38
Amount of bills for water rents, etc., for six months, ending Jan. 1, 1907, committed to C. W. Dodge, Treas. and Collector of taxes	556 76
Abatement on bills committed for six mos. water rates to July 1, 1906	\$10 00
Abatement on bills committed for six mos. water rates to Jan. 1, 1907	10 00
Total amount of water rent and service connection from patrons outside State Sanatorium, for year ending Mar. 1, 1907	\$1,076 14

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BARTLETT,

Superintendent

Rutland, March 1, 1907

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer and Superintendent of Water Department, for the year ending March 1, 1907, and find the same Correct.

FRANK H. THAYER,

Auditor

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending March 1, 1907

FELLOW CITIZENS :

We herewith respectfully submit our annual report :

STATISTICS

Number of persons in Town between five and fifteen years of age, as per School Census, September 1, 1906	237
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1906	262
Average membership for the year	222.7
Average attendance for the year	194.7
Per cent. of attendance	88

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER RESOURCES

Town appropriation	\$4,200 00	
State, toward Superintendent's salary	312 50	
Lyman School, tuition	52 00	
State Board of Charity, tuition	71 50	
City of Boston, tuition	191 50	
Town of Oakham, tuition	40 00	
Income Massachusetts School Fund	995 63	
State, for High School	300 00	
West Rutland Sunday School, for wood	2 50	
	<u>\$6,165 63</u>	
Approved Bills		\$6,179 79
Available Funds		<u>6,165 63</u>
Overdrawn		\$14 16

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries	\$2,796 20
Transportation	1,676 00
Books and supplies	212 19
Supervision	456 50
Printing	12 88
Repairs	57 94
Janitors	321 79
Fuel	577 60
Sundries	68 65
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	\$6,179 79

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Wm. S. Dunn, High School, principal	\$692 00
Miss Edna H. Johnson, High School, assistant	170 00
Miss J. Louise Marclay, High School, assistant	92 70
Miss J. Louise Marclay, Grammar, center	235 00
Miss Alice F. Dodge, Grammar, center	203 00
Miss Martha E. Bemis, Intermediate, center	374 00
Miss Beulah W. Higgins, Primary, center	374 00
Miss Marion Keleher, West Rutland	324 00
Miss Anna Finnerty, North Rutland	112 50
Miss M. A. Moynihan, North Rutland	72 00
Miss Georgiana K. Fiske, North Rutland	117 00
Miss Mayme Newman, substitute	7 00
Miss Florence Bothwell, substitute	17 00
Mrs. Frances Wilson, substitute	6 00
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	\$2,796 20

TRANSPORTATION

Horace E. Smith	\$243 00
Deller Laton	246 60
Dennis A. Smith	293 40
Stephen P. Allen	192 00
Arthur E. Sargent	242 00
Weston R. Upham	164 00
George B. Fuller	34 00
George H. Rice	52 00
F. B. Brown	49 60
Geo. L. Rich	123 40
Mrs. M. O'Leary	36 00
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	\$1,675 00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett & Co.	\$ 67 37
E. E. Babb & Co.	28 06
Ginn & Co.	81 16
D. C. Heath & Co.	7 58
American Book Co.	3 40
Holden Book Cover Co.	9 25
Holt & Co.	1 04
John Carter & Co.	3 63
Orville Brewer & Co.	1 98
Estabrook Steel Pen Co.	3 72
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	\$212 19

SUPERVISION

Herbert J. Jones, superintendent	\$400 00
Dennis A. Smith, committee	15 00
Wm. C. Temple, committee	7 50
Louis M. Hanff, committee	15 00
George S. Putnam, truant officer	4 00
George S. Putnam, school census	15 00
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	\$456 50

PRINTING

F. S. Blanchard & Co., supt's report	\$10 20	
The Davis Press, letter heads	2 68	
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REPAIRS

Dennis A. Smith	\$3 00	
Geo. E. Smith	1 80	
Louis M. Hanff, painting, papering and cleaning	53 14	
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JANITORS

North Rutland School	\$6 13	
West Rutland School	9 00	
B. J. Sprague and George H. Miles	306 66	
	<hr/>	\$321 79

FUEL

Geo. M. Davis, North Rutland, wood	\$13 75	
Joseph E. Ware, West Rutland, wood	9 30	
Two-thirds fuel and sundries Center building	554 85	
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SUNDRIES

Horace Parent, W. R. School, cleaning, etc.	\$6 10	
Clark, Sawyer & Co., waste baskets	4 25	
West Rutland School, broom	25	
A. C. Coddington, North Rutland School, broom, etc.	1 00	
Miles Holden, Center School	56	
H. J. Jones, office supplies, etc.	9 93	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight, etc.	1 01	
Louis M. Hanff, expense to Boston and Holden	7 50	
Town of Paxton, tuition	37 00	
David M. Hanff, moving desks	1 05	
	<hr/>	\$68 60

STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT

Received from State Treasurer,	995 63
Transferred to general account,	995 63

SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and the following is his report:

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	130	
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	107	
		237
Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	100	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	98	
		198
Number of illiterate male minors over 14 years of age	1	
Number of illiterate female minors over 14 years of age	0	
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ROLL OF HONOR

The following pupils have been neither absent nor tardy for the number of terms specified:

HIGH SCHOOL. *One term:* Lewis H. Drury, Nora A. Gleason, John W. Gleason, Georgiana Taylor, Georgia Rich, Louise Maynard,

Two terms: Robert Cannon, Annie L. Welch, Charlotte H. Drury.

Three terms: Myrna L. Miles, Wallace C. Forbush.

CENTER SCHOOL. *One term:* John Dickson, Charles Taylor, Evelyn Fennell, Francis Hartwell, Thomas Bates, Nelson Calkins, Rollin Cannon, Nora Hanlon, William Hanlon, Winnie F. Talls, Dora Hartwell, Stephen Manning, Margarita Garnsey, Fred Rice, Margaret Rice, Margaret Welch, Marion Welch, Melvin Howard, Albina Celle, Frank Calkins, Albert Cullen, David Sargent, Leonard Cullen, Ferdinando Di Martini.

Two terms: Linda Hanff, Earl Griffin, Mildred Ballard, Willie Murphy, George Putnam, Gordon Calkins, Ruth Forbush, Frank Maynard, Daniel Murphy.

Three terms: Joseph Murphy, Fannie Miles.

WEST RUTLAND SCHOOL. *One term:* Robert Luce, Amanda Bousquet, Loretta Atkins.

Two terms: Gladys Cheever, Inez Taylor, Hazel Taylor.

NORTH RUTLAND SCHOOL. *One term:* Seldon Hill.

Two terms: Bertis Handy, John W. Moulton.

Your School Committee would report that the schools of Rutland have made progress the past year. The schools have been in session thirty-four weeks, (the High School forty weeks as required by law) and your Committee are pleased to state that all bills are paid up to March 1st, and that we have nearly kept within the appropriation, having overdrawn but \$14.16. and that we have many supplies on hand that will be used the coming year.

In September your Committee received a gift of \$10.00 from some person unknown, to be used for the good of the public schools in Rutland. With this fund as a nucleus a paper was started by Master Parmelee Drury, to secure money enough to procure apparatus for the class in Physice in our High School. The public generously responded, \$104.00 was raised. The apparatus has been purchased and is now ready for use; a balance remains that will be used for any additional apparatus that may be needed in the future.

Your Committee desire to express their thanks to those who have given to this worthy cause, and they wish especially to thank Master Parmelee Drury for his efforts for the good of the Rutland High School.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS A. SMITH,	} <i>School</i>
LOUIS M. HANFF,	
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	

} *Committee*

Rutland, March 1, 1907

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

FOR THE

CENTRAL WORCESTER UNION

TOWNS:

HOLDEN, OAKHAM, PAXTON, RUTLAND

WORCESTER COUNTY, MASS.

MARCH, 1907

THE CENTRAL WORCESTER UNION.

The union was formed July 16, 1900. The services and salary of the superintendent are shared as follows: Holden, one-half; Rutland, one-fourth; Paxton, one-tenth; Oakham, three-twentieths. The superintendent's year begins August 1. Thirty-two teachers are employed in twenty-nine schools. The chairman of the joint committee is Jesse Allen of Oakham, and the secretary is Mrs. Addie M. Holden of Holden. The members of the various committees, with the expiration of their respective terms, are shown below:

HOLDEN.

	Term Expires.
Mrs. Anna P. Fay,	1907
T. Walter Howe,	1907
Mrs. Addie M. Holden, secretary,	1908
William J. Powers,	1908
James A. Holden, chairman,	1909
Mrs. Martha E. Graham,	1909

RUTLAND.

	Term Expires.
Louis M. Hanff, secretary,	1907
Dennis E. Smith, chairman,	1908
William C. Temple,	1909

OAKHAM.

	Term Expires.
H. W. Lincoln,	1907
Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, secretary,	1908
Jesse Allen, chairman,	1909

PAXTON.

	Term Expires.
Lewis S. Clapp,	1908
Walter E. Clark,	1909
Mrs. Susie E. Flint,	1910

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton and Rutland.

Since the organization of your towns into the Central Worcester Union, your superintendent has aimed to unify the work of all the schools under his supervision so far as local conditions would permit. The elementary schools have the same course of study and largely the same text-books. All use the same system of records and reports, and the same general plans of supervision are applied to all. For these and other reasons, this seventh annual report, like its predecessors, is made to you jointly. As in previous years, matters of merely local interest are briefly treated under the title, "The Towns in Particular."

ATTENDANCE.

The usual "Summary of Attendance" inserted below, and the tables following, give the main facts as compiled from the school registers. The summary shows a falling off in the per cent. of

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

	HOLDEN.	OAKHAM.	PAXTON.	RUTLAND.	Total.
No. enrolled since September 1, 1906....	508	102	82	262	954
Average membership for year.....	453.3	90.7	71.5	222.7	871.5
Average attendance for year.....	408.5	85.5	62.4	194.7	751.1
Per cent. of attendance for year.....	89.8	94.4	89.0	88.0	90.3
Per cent. of attendance for last year	91.2	95.0	86.8	90.6	90.9

STATISTICAL TABLES.

HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS, 1906-'07	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
High School.....	A. K. Learned, Prin...	Spring...	12	50.1	46.3	92.2	.....	75
	Marion E. Bascom....	Fall.....	12	65.6	60.4	91.6	.....	87
	Anjennette Newton ... Assistants	Winter... 15	65.4	58.6	89.6	91.1	83	
Center Primary ...	Margery A. Rice.....	Spring...	13	49.0	44.7	91.2	.....	55
	Margery A. Rice.....	Fall.....	12	37.7	34.7	92.0	.....	30
	Margery A. Rice.....	Winter... 12	35.2	28.7	82.0	88.4	59	
Center Grammar..	Elizabeth A. Brown...	Spring...	13	29.2	26.2	89.7	.....	62
	Elizabeth A. Brown...	Fall.....	12	34.7	32.4	93.0	.....	49
	Elizabeth A. Brown...	Winter... 12	33.3	30.2	90.0	90.9	98	
Jefferson, First Primary ...	Laura L. Chenery.....	Spring...	13	46.4	41.1	88.5	.....	20
	Josephine V. Judge...	Fall.....	12	33.1	29.7	89.3	.....	9
	Ella Bartley.....	Winter... 12	27.4	19.3	70.0	82.6	33	
Jefferson, Second Primary	Esther C. Hendricks...	Spring...	13	32.1	29.8	93.2	.....	19
	Ella O. Peterson.....	Fall.....	12	38.0	36.4	94.9	.....	4
	Ella O. Peterson.....	Winter... 12	33.0	28.0	89.0	92.4	38	
Jefferson, Intermediate	Agnes Dolan	Spring...	13	23.0	21.8	95.0	.....	22
	Esther C. Hendricks...	Fall.....	12	33.1	31.0	93.5	.....	15
	Esther C. Hendricks...	Winter... 12	31.1	26.8	86.2	91.6	8	
Jefferson, Grammar	Clara K. Bascom	Spring...	13	20.9	18.9	90.5	.....	19
	Clara K. Bascom	Fall.....	12	30.1	28.2	93.5	.....	26
	Clara K. Bascom	Winter... 12	26.9	23.2	87.6	90.5	21	
Chaffin Primary...	Ella O. Peterson.....	Spring...	13	30.0	28.9	96.3	.....	1
	Elsie H. Crawshaw....	Fall.....	12	27.0	24.4	93.0	.....	...
	Martha Clark.....	Winter... 12	27.0	22.0	84.0	91.1	...	
Chaffin Grammar .	L. Ula Skelton.....	Spring...	13	26.2	23.7	90.0	.....	...
	L. Ula Skelton.....	Fall.....	12	25.9	23.6	91.0	.....	1
	L. Ula Skelton.....	Winter... 12	25.0	21.2	84.0	88.3	1	
Quinapoxet Primary	A. Florence Kirby....	Spring...	13	21.0	20.0	94.8	.....	3
	A. Florence Kirby....	Fall.....	12	15.4	14.5	94.2	.....	4
	A. Florence Kirby....	Winter... 12	21.0	18.3	87.0	92.0	7	
Quinapoxet Grammar	Ethel H. Crowe.....	Spring...	13	24.2	21.6	93.0	.....	16
	Ethel H. Crowe.....	Fall.....	12	20.4	18.9	92.8	.....	15
	Ethel H. Crowe.....	Winter... 12	24.5	22.1	89.7	91.8	11	
North Woods.....	Margaret V. Gray.....	Spring...	13	21.0	18.0	85.6	.....	30
	Margaret V. Gray.....	Fall.....	12	16.0	15.0	93.0	.....	15
	Margaret Tracy.....	Winter... 12	16.0	14.3	90.0	89.5	25	
Springdale	Mary G. Cahill	Spring...	13	18.0	16.0	89.0	.....	14
	Mary G. Cahill	Fall.....	14	12.3	11.2	91.0	90.0	13
	.....	Winter... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dawson	Margaret Tracy.....	Spring...	14	28.0	24.1	86.2	.....	58
	Margaret Tracy.....	Fall.....	12	24.7	23.0	93.1	.....	17
	Mary Early.....	Winter... 11	21.3	17.9	83.8	87.7	6	
South	Sadie I. Packard.....	Spring...	13	19.0	17.7	93.2	.....	71
	Sadie I. Packard.....	Fall.....	12	18.1	18.0	99.4	.....	27
	Sadie I. Packard.....	Winter... 12	18.0	17.0	94.4	95.7	26	
Unionville	Agnes L. Kirby	Spring...	13	20.1	18.3	91.0	.....	45
	Agnes L. Kirby	Fall.....	12	24.6	23.7	90.0	.....	31
	Agnes L. Kirby	Winter... 12	26.8	22.1	82.4	87.8	38	

PAXTON.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS. 1906-'07.	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
Primary.....	Mabel C. Reid.....	Spring...	17	29.6	24.3	91.4		0
	Sarah T. Britton	Fall	12	30.8	27.3	88.6		12
	Sarah T. Britton	Winter ..	6	26.2	21.5	82.3	87.4	6
Intermediate	M. Alice Converse.....	Spring...	17	25.9	22.5	86.9		88
	M. Alice Converse.....	Fall	12	31.0	28.2	91.1		60
	M. Alice Converse.....	Winter ..	7	27.1	22.8	84.2	87.4	52
Grammar.....	Jennie R. Burnham ...	Spring ..	17	14.7	13.3	90.0		44
	Jennie R. Burnham ...	Fall	12	15.1	14.4	95.5		24
	Jennie R. Burnham ...	Winter ..	6	14.2	12.9	90.7	92.1	19

RUTLAND.

High School.....	William S. Dunn, Principal.	Spring...	13	24.0	22.6	94.3		15
	Louise Mareley, Assistant.	Fall	12	29.8	28.9	96.8		20
		Winter ..	15	29.0	27.6	95.2	95.4	25
Center Primary ...	Beulah W. Higgins	Spring...	12	50.6	44.4	87.6		51
	Beulah W. Higgins	Fall	12	44.0	38.4	89.3		55
	Beulah W. Higgins	Winter ..	10	38.6	34.1	80.1	85.7	78
Intermediate	Martha E. Bemis	Spring...	12	42.9	40.9	95.3		29
	Martha E. Bemis	Fall	12	43.0	40.2	93.5		27
	Martha E. Bemis	Winter ..	10	40.8	37.0	90.7	93.2	35
Grammar.....	Louise Mareley.....	Spring...	12	36.1	33.6	93.0		86
	Alice F. Dodge	Fall	12	41.0	36.5	89.2		91
	Alice F. Dodge	Winter ..	10	37.4	31.7	85.2	89.1	54
North Rutland ...	Anna F. Finnerty	Spring...	12	41.2	32.2	86.0		23
	Maud A. Moynihan ...	Fall	12	44.5	29.1	65.4		36
	Georgiana Fiske	Winter ..	10	26.0	20.0	77.6	76.3	27
West Rutland	Marion Kelleher	Spring...	12	26.5	24.3	91.7		30
	Marion Kelleher	Fall	12	38.1	34.4	90.3		24
	Marion Kelleher	Winter ..	10	34.5	28.3	82.0	88.3	31

OAKHAM.

Center Primary....	Mrs. Minne M. Day ...	Spring...	10	28.0	26.0	93.0		3
	Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis	Fall	11	21.0	20.0	95.0		0
	Ethel Braman.....	Winter ..	11	17.0	13.0	85.0	91.0	12
Center Grammar ..	Florence E. Bothwell..	Spring...	10	13.8	13.2	96.0		6
	Florence E. Bothwell ..	Fall	11	25.8	24.8	96.0		5
	Florence E. Bothwell ..	Winter ..	11	25.2	23.8	94.0	95.3	11
Coldbrook.....	Ruth E. Butterfield....	Spring...	10	14.8	14.6	98.6		0
	Ruth E. Butterfield....	Fall	11	18.4	18.2	98.9		4
	Ruth E. Butterfield....	Winter ..	11	17.0	16.6	97.6	98.4	1
South.....	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Spring...	10	19.7	18.9	94.9		10
	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Fall	11	20.0	19.5	97.5		7
	Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis	Winter ..	11	16.5	16.3	98.7	97.0	2
West.....	Julia Connelly	Spring...	10	13.3	11.6	87.0		0
	Julia Connelly	Fall	11	11.6	11.2	96.5		0
	Julia Connelly	Winter ..	10	10.0	8.8	88.0	90.5	0

attendance in all the towns except Paxton, as compared with last year. The severity of the present winter, and the presence of a few cases of scarlet fever in several schools, may account for the decrease.

Let me again call your attention to the meaning of the figures in the column headed "Per cent. of Attendance," and in the following one. The Coldbrook school in Oakham, for example, secured through regular attendance 98.4 per cent. of the benefit of the town's expenditure for that school, suffering only a small loss. The North Rutland school, on account of irregularity, excusable or otherwise, secured only 76.3 per cent. of the benefits intended by the town's outlay for that school.

Much of the losses caused by irregular attendance is, perhaps, unavoidable, but my inquiries indicate that a large part of these losses might be saved by fuller co-operation of parents, attendance officers, and teachers.

RECENT HEALTH LEGISLATION.

The Legislature of 1906 enacted a law which requires the school committees of the State to appoint one or more school physicians, except in cities in which medical inspection of schools is already maintained by the board of health. Sections 2 to 4 of the law are here quoted:

Section 2. Every school physician shall make a prompt examination and diagnosis of all children referred to him as hereinafter provided, and such further examination of teachers, janitors and school buildings as in his opinion the protection of the health of pupils may require.

Section 3. The school committee shall cause to be referred to a school physician for examination and diagnosis, every child returning to school without a certificate from the board of health, after absence on account of illness or from unknown cause; and every child in the schools under its jurisdiction who shows signs of being in ill health or of suffering from infectious or contagious disease, unless he is at once excluded from school by the teacher; except that in the case of schools in remote and isolated situations the school committee may make such other arrangements as may best carry out the purpose of this act.

Section 4. The school committee shall cause notice of the disease or defects, if any, from which any child is found to be suffering, to be sent to his parent or guardian. Whenever a child shows symptoms of small pox, scarlet fever, measles, chickenpox, tuberculosis, diphtheria or influenza, tonsillitis, whooping cough, mumps, scabies or trachoma, he shall be sent home immediately, or as soon as safe and proper conveyance can be found, and the board of health shall at once be notified.

The town of Holden has already made the appropriation which the law prescribes shall precede any expenditure required under the act, and has appointed two school physicians. At the coming town meetings in the other towns, an appropriation should be made for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the act. As the duties of the school physician are limited to the examination and diagnosis of children referred to him by the teachers, the appropriation for his compensation need not be large.

A further provision of the law is as follows:

Section 5. The school committee of every city and town shall cause every child in the public schools to be separately and carefully tested and examined at least once in every school year to ascertain whether he is suffering from defective sight or hearing or from any other disability or defect tending to prevent his receiving the full benefit of his school work, or requiring a modification of the school work in order to prevent injury to the child or to secure the best educational results.

The test of sight and hearing shall be made by teachers. The committee shall cause notice of any defect or disability requiring treatment to be sent to the parent or guardian of the child, and shall require a physical record of each child to be kept in such form as the state board of education shall prescribe.

Reports from teachers on the tests of sight and hearing are not yet complete. Of 560 pupils examined, 144, or about 25 per cent., are reported as defective in sight, and 65, or about 11½ per cent., as defective in hearing. As this is the first time the teachers have made the tests, errors are quite possible. The test of hearing is more difficult to make than the eye-test, and errors are more likely.

It is too early to report definitely regarding the practical re-

sults of the eye and ear tests in our schools, but experience in towns and cities where similar inspection of pupils has been practiced for several years, indicates that much good comes of such inspection.

The superintendent in Quincy, Mass., reports:

There have been many cases of marked improvement, not only in scholarship, but in conduct, where the defects have been corrected. The handwriting of some has undergone a gratifying transformation; others have already attained a rank in their studies much above their previous record; others are no longer troubled with headache or pains in their eyes. In many cases attention, interest and ambition have displaced indifference and dullness, and in several instances the change in deportment has been as commendable as it has been noticeable.

It will be seen that the results desired depend upon the prompt attention of the parent or guardian to the notice received from the teacher or the school physician. This notice advises securing competent professional advice regarding the defect discovered. For example, if a child is reported as having insufficient visual power, an oculist should be consulted, and, if glasses are prescribed, they should be procured at once.

THE PROBLEM OF THE TEACHER.

To the less thoughtful onlooker, educational work may appear very simple and easy. There are many educational questions which those without experience and only casual knowledge are ready to answer off-hand and with much positiveness. A great scientist once said, "If you want to be cocksure of a thing, look at it once and never look again." He himself had learned caution through numerous blunders. So those who have given many years of practical study to the vital problems of the school have learned the exceeding complexity of those problems, and by such persons conclusions are stated with reserve. Educators are still looking for light on some of the oldest and commonest questions of theory and practice in school teaching and management.

The central problem, on which many others depend, is the one named at the head of this article.

What the school may do for the pupil is conditioned by what the teacher is, in equipment, in experience, in professional spirit, and in personal worth. Everywhere and always the cry is for splendid teachers. The issues involved are of such far-reaching consequences that we shall never be content with anything short of ideal teaching by ideal teachers.—Supt. M. G. Brumbaugh, Philadelphia.

We shall never get the ideal teachers in any great numbers, therefore we shall never be content. But the schools must go on, and the practical questions of how to secure competent teachers, how to keep them alert and growing in efficiency, and how to retain proved efficiency for the benefit of our own children, are questions ever with us, and they seem to be growing in difficulty.

At the present time the supply of good teachers is exceedingly limited. The condition is the same as exists in other lines of industry. Even farm help is very scarce, and the demand for competent skilled labor is everywhere far beyond the supply. The condition in the various industries has caused a decided increase in the market value of labor, and wages have risen. Naturally the same result must take place in the industry in which we are engaged. The Secretary of the Board of Education has written:

Higher wages would tend to secure all the elements of efficiency. Abler persons might be drawn from other employments; teachers could afford to spend longer time in preparation and so gain in scholarship and training; they could afford to avail themselves of forms of self-culture now beyond their means, and thus grow in efficiency. Fortunately the country at large is awakening, though slowly, to the fact that the teachers make the schools, and that in the last analysis the success of the public school system is a matter of wages.

No increase of salaries that we can make will by any means relieve all the difficulty we meet in securing and retaining satisfactory teachers. But our towns are able to make such an advance over present salaries as to overcome a part of our trouble. At

the proper time I shall be prepared to recommend reasonable action regarding the salaries of teachers whom we desire to retain, and as to the amount to be offered when vacancies are to be filled.

THE PROBLEM OF SUPERVISION.

Given a force of teachers as good as the compensation offered will secure, the practical question of such oversight and direction of the work of the force as will bring the best returns from the town's expenditure, is the one with which the superintendent mainly has to deal in his daily work. His work closely corresponds in general aim to that of the superintendent of any business or manufacturing enterprise. Each is the executive officer of a board of directors, who in turn represent a body of stockholders, to whom all are finally responsible. Both must see that dividends are earned for the stockholders. But there is, however, an important difference. The superintendent of a mill can show his results by a balance sheet and by cash in hand, whereas the material with which the schools deal is spiritual, and the dividends, though real, are too precious to be measured in dollars. Hence the popular failure to appreciate the significance of the school enterprise.

Though the office of superintendent of schools is a comparatively new one, considerable has been written regarding the office and its duties. Your superintendent tries to keep in touch with current discussion of questions of supervision, as well as with that of the general educational problem.

Nothing is more surely established in pedagogy than that the fundamental ends in teaching, *knowledge*, *power*, and *skill*, can be developed in the pupil only through his own activity. "It is what the pupil does, not what the teacher says, that determines the success of the teaching process." Hence the teacher's function is to arouse and direct the activity of the pupil. In the exercise of his function of a teacher of teachers, the superintendent is under the same law. If a teacher is to acquire *knowledge* which will aid her in teaching, if she is to

attain *power* in its use, if she is to develop *skill*, or the ability to do her work easily and well, it must be by means of her own activity in study and practice. The thinking or the work of no one else will aid her, except as it may lead her to think and work. One of the problems of supervision is how to induce teachers to *study*, definitely and practically, the questions which pertain to their daily work. *Routine* is easier than study, and the teacher is in constant danger of falling into it.

A teacher of high intelligence and professional spirit will study the broader aspects of education, and in order to counteract the narrowing influence of constantly dealing with immature minds, and to keep her own soul alive and growing, will read much in other lines. But so far as my own direction of the studies of teachers is concerned, I have thought it best to keep very close to daily school-room needs. A teacher ought to read Browning and Tennyson, but she *must* know how to teach spelling. She ought to read the best fiction, but she *must* know how to run a school programme in a business-like way.

"Utilizing Educational Resources" is one topic discussed in teachers' meeting during the year, and planned for continuous study. The study of the topic was designed to lead teachers to "scrutinize" their own work day by day, with a view to eliminating waste, just as industrial concerns do.

"Class-Individual Teaching" has been studied with a view to establishing firmly in daily practice the plan of which I wrote in my report of last year.

"Training Pupils to Study" has received attention in teachers' meeting, and is expected to receive the teachers' attention in practical ways every day.

"Points in Teaching Reading," "Points in Teaching Writing," "Points in Teaching Spelling," and "Points in Teaching Drawing" are the titles of outlines furnished teachers, and discussed with them, and which they are expected to study and reduce to practice.

I wish I could report extensive reading by teachers of the many helpful professional books now accessible. I have in-

sisted that every teacher should own and study *one* book of that class, White's "The Art of Teaching." This book has proved its worth as a clear presentation of fundamental pedagogical truth, and teachers are often referred to its pages.

The response to the call of the superintendent for definite study of school problems on the part of the individual teacher as a means of increasing efficiency in daily work, is not uniform in results. Such uniformity could not be expected, for we have the young teacher whose experience has not yet fitted her to see the large meaning of the work she has undertaken, and the older teacher whose feeling of self-satisfaction prevents vigorous effort for improvement. But in many cases the results desired have been realized in a high degree.

SOME RESULTS OF THE YEAR'S EFFORT.

Results in school work are accomplished mainly in the school-room when teacher and children are working together. The chief factor in good results in the thoughtful, vigorous, persistent effort of the faithful teacher. The superintendent's main duty is to secure if possible an increase of thoughtfulness, vigor, and persistency on the part of his faithful teacher, and to direct her effort in the most fruitful lines. By frequent visits and by other means, the superintendent keeps informed as to the quality of the work being done in the various school-rooms, and is ready to give the committees a critical estimate of the ability and accomplishment of each individual teacher. As one means of acquaintance with the facts, I have asked each teacher a few questions regarding a part of the year's endeavors, and the answers are before me. I give three of the questions, and select a few answers:

1. Did the topic, "Utilizing Educational Resources," treated on pp. 91-95, Portfolio I, and discussed in teachers' meeting, so take hold of your mind as to cause you to "institute economies" in the lines indicated?

Miss A: Yes, it did. I found I had been wasting time in various ways, but since the meeting I have tried very hard to remedy it.

Miss B: Throughout the past year, and especially since our September meeting, I have tried to utilize educational resources. Time has been saved by training the pupils to move more promptly. Paper, writing books, etc., are passed at a given signal or stated time, by a monitor. I have studied my plan of work each day with the same end in view.

Miss C: I have tried to apply the idea of economy: (1) By definite assignment of definite tasks. (2) By making thorough knowledge of the work necessary to meet my demands. (3) By requiring rapidity of thought and expression. (4) By insisting on the lesson being learned and recited by the pupils. (5) Especially by making them understand that the work is to *advance* every day. I have found it very important to have a backward pupil understand that the class work goes on and his failure will not retard the whole class.

Miss D: I have made an effort to save time in the following ways: (1) By opening school at the appointed time. (2) By distributing materials before the session begins. (3) By avoiding useless repetitions. (4) By trying to have the work done well the first time. (5) By trying not to spend time in useless thinking of the past day's work.

Miss E: I have tried to secure good use of the study time in the following ways: (1) By the definite assignment of work. (2) By demanding a good recitation. (3) By trying to arouse interest in the lesson. If you can get the boys and girls interested, the rest is easy.

Miss F: Time and strength have been saved by using the "class-individual" method, thus securing better work from bright pupils, since they are not kept back by lazy pupils or those mentally lacking.

Miss G: I have tried to economize time in these ways: (1) Deciding what I wanted to do. (2) Doing it as nearly as possible. (3) Letting pupils who were not prepared to recite, sit down, and then taking them individually.

2. Have you in regular daily practice a definite plan of individual teaching, as "the supplement and corrective" of class teaching? State the plan and the results secured.

Miss K: I have in regular daily practice a definite plan of individual teaching. I devote thirty minutes of each day, at the time allotted on the programme, to giving individual instruction to those pupils whose need of it I have previously discovered. I also alternate written class work with oral class work, thus gaining more time for individual teaching.

Miss H: Before beginning my individual instruction, I assign to the pupils in their seats, written work, which must be done and done well. Then, when every child is at work, I call the individual to my desk and seat him beside me. My first object is to find, by questioning, the stumbling block; this found, we go to work together and work patiently and cheerfully. My aim is to awaken the child's activities and help him to help himself.

Miss I: The results secured were better class recitation, more interest in the work, better expression and manner of recitation, promptness, and accuracy. P. does much better work than before, B. recites with more freedom, F. is more active, and S. is more careful, L. thinks more before she attempts to perform her work, and many more do far better than formerly.

3. Aside from matters connected with the above, what definite improvements in your school work have you secured during the year?

Miss I: I have tried to teach the children how to study. I think that my effort in this part of school work has helped one or two boys more than anything else I have done.

Miss J: I think I have succeeded in making my scholars really more interested in getting their lessons every day. I have made them understand that I expect nothing less than that, and, to a rather unusual degree, they have given me that. Because of this co-operation I have been able to get over more ground and do better work in many instances.

Miss I: I have secured a definite improvement in the children's manners. They seem more thoughtful for others, considering each other's feelings, and are kind and gentle. I have secured better spelling and language. I have spent a good deal of time on spelling and am pleased with the results. There is a great chance for improvement yet.

Miss K: I have noticed that my pupils have become more alert. They take great pride in the study period, as I have tried to make them feel that they are working independently at that time. We have made a definite improvement in our reading this year. There is also an improvement in the pupils' drawing and written work. They try to do it "right and at once." Taking everything into consideration, I think we have worked more faithfully and cheerfully together than ever before.

Miss L: I find that in most of the subjects, the classes are further advanced than they were at the same time last year.

These answers indicate only a small part of the commendable effort put forth in our schools during the year. It is the total of all such effort that produces whatever progress we may have made. In some schools results have been decidedly unsatisfactory, and in some they have been highly gratifying, with all degrees of efficiency between the extremes. On the whole, it is likely that our progress equals that of previous years. The great improvement still possible challenges our earnest teachers to renewed effort.

THE TOWNS IN PARTICULAR.

Holden.—A decrease in the average membership of the schools was reported last year, and a further small decrease is noted this year.

The expected loss of pupils at Springdale occurred. The teacher having resigned at the end of the fall term, the school was closed and the pupils were transported to Quinapoxet.

Miss Agnes Dolan, Jefferson Intermediate, resigned at the end of the spring term, and Miss Margaret Nelson was chosen for the place. After a few weeks, she accepted an offer from Natick, and Miss Esther C. Hendricks was transferred to the position. Miss Ella O. Peterson was transferred from Chaffin to Miss Hendricks' place, and Miss Elsie H. Crawshaw was elected to Chaffin primary. Miss Crawshaw was obliged to return to her home a few weeks later, on account of the illness of her

mother, and Miss Martha Clark has acted as a substitute. Miss Laura L. Chenery gave up her work soon after the fall term opened, on account of illness. Miss Josephine V. Judge was secured as a substitute for the remainder of the fall term, and Miss Ella Bartley for the winter term. Miss Chenery is expected to return for the spring term. Miss Margaret Gray resigned at North Woods at the end of the fall term, and Miss Margaret Tracy was transferred to the place from Dawson. Miss Mary Early was secured for Dawson. Miss Mae G. Cahill resigned at Springdale in November, and the school was closed.

It is worthy of note that of the thirty-one pupils entitled to enter the ninth grade at the High School in September, every one appeared. The high school teachers are the same as last year, and the work is distributed in the same way.

The following were graduated in June: *Classical Course* — Patrick E. Hanaver, Eva E. Came, M. Frances Chenery, Carrie L. Marsh, James H. Litchfield. *English Course* — John H. McDermott, Grace E. Lobdell, Ervin L. Winn. Anna L. Boyd received a certificate.

Patrick E. Hanaver entered Clark College in September, Misses Boyd and Lobdell entered business colleges, and Miss Marsh is employed in the office of the Barnard, Sumner & Putnam Co. Mr. McDermott, Mr. Winn and Mr. Litchfield are taking post-graduate work in the school, in special preparation for technical courses. Misses Chenery and Came are at their homes.

Six pupils are candidates for graduation in June next.

It should be noted that a large number of the cases of tardiness reported as occurring at the High School are excusable, having been caused by the late arrival of electric cars.

Oakham.—As in previous years, Oakham has the best record of attendance of any town in the Union. Coldbrook school is first in per cent. of attendance, South school second, while the South school in Holden takes third place.

Soon after the opening of the fall term, Mrs. Minnie M. Day

was obliged to give up her work at the Center Primary, on account of illness. Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis filled the place for several weeks as a substitute. Mrs. Day not becoming able to return, Miss Ethel Braman, of Northfield, was engaged.

Mrs. Day had served the town very efficiently for seven or more years, and her loss from the schools is greatly regretted.

At the Center Grammar school there are seven pupils pursuing high school studies, having completed the grammar school course. Much credit is due the teacher for her care of these pupils who do not find it practicable to leave home to attend a high school. The pupils also deserve praise for their persistence.

Miss Dorothy Keyes of Worcester has been employed since September to supervise the music in the schools. Below is her report:

To Mr. Herbert J. Jones, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir: Your supervisor visited each school once a week during the fall term. Through the winter term visits were made but once a month. Work was planned for the regular teachers to do between my lessons. I have made in all eleven visits.

The course in music as laid down when music was introduced, has been followed, and we are able to report advancement, especially in sight-singing and pitch. It has been proven that ninety-five per cent. of the children can learn to sing and that all can learn to read music. In all the grades considerable attention has been given to written work, as it fixes principles clearly in the mind of the child. A mid-year examination has been given with most satisfactory results. Class-singing has not been neglected. Recently the Fourth Reader of the New Educational series has been secured for the grammar school, which, with the other readers, gives us some of the best music published. Great interest is shown by the children in their work, and your supervisor urges parents to give their boys and girls every opportunity to hear good music outside of school.

I desire to express my sincere thanks to the superintendent and teachers for their hearty co-operation with me in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY D. KEYES,

Supervisor of Music.

Worcester, Mass., February 28, 1907.

Paxton.—Last year I had to report a falling off in regularity of attendance. This year there is a decided gain.

Miss Mabel C. Reid resigned in June, and Miss Sarah T. Britton took charge of the primary room in September. The other teachers remain the same as for several years.

Four pupils are preparing to enter a Worcester high school in September next.

The finishing and tinting of the walls was done in the summer vacation, and has greatly improved the appearance of the rooms.

Rutland.—The gain in attendance reported last year has not been maintained, as the tables show. The removal of several families from North Rutland accounts for a good part of the loss.

The addition of two weeks to the 32 weeks of school required by law is a sign of progress. An addition of two weeks more is desirable.

Miss Edna H. Johnson, assistant in the High School, resigned at the end of the spring term, and Miss Louise Mareley was transferred to the position from the grammar room. The teacher engaged for the grammar room taught three days, when illness compelled her resignation, and Miss Alice F. Dodge was secured for the position. At the North school, Miss Finnerty was called to a better position at Hudson soon after the opening of the fall term, and Miss Maud A. Moynihan was secured. She resigned to go to Westminster after a few weeks, and Miss Georgiana K. Fiske of Grafton took the place. The other teachers of last year remain.

Edward A. Hanff, David M. Hanff, and Mida E. Wentworth received the diploma of the High School in June. The graduation address was delivered by Supt. J. G. Edgerly of Fitchburg.

Edward Hanff was admitted on examination to the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, with credit to himself and his teachers.

We are fortunate in being able to retain Mr. W. S. Dunn as principal. There is a uniform spirit of industry and earnest-

ness manifested by the twenty-nine pupils of the school. The present senior class is six in number.

A noteworthy addition to the equipment of the school has been made by the presentation of nearly one hundred dollars' worth of apparatus for the teaching of physics. Mr. Parmelee F. Drury, a member of the school, secured subscriptions for the purpose from citizens of the town, and presented the apparatus to the Committee on behalf of the donors. Our thanks are due Mr. Drury for his enterprising effort, and to the subscribers for their liberality.

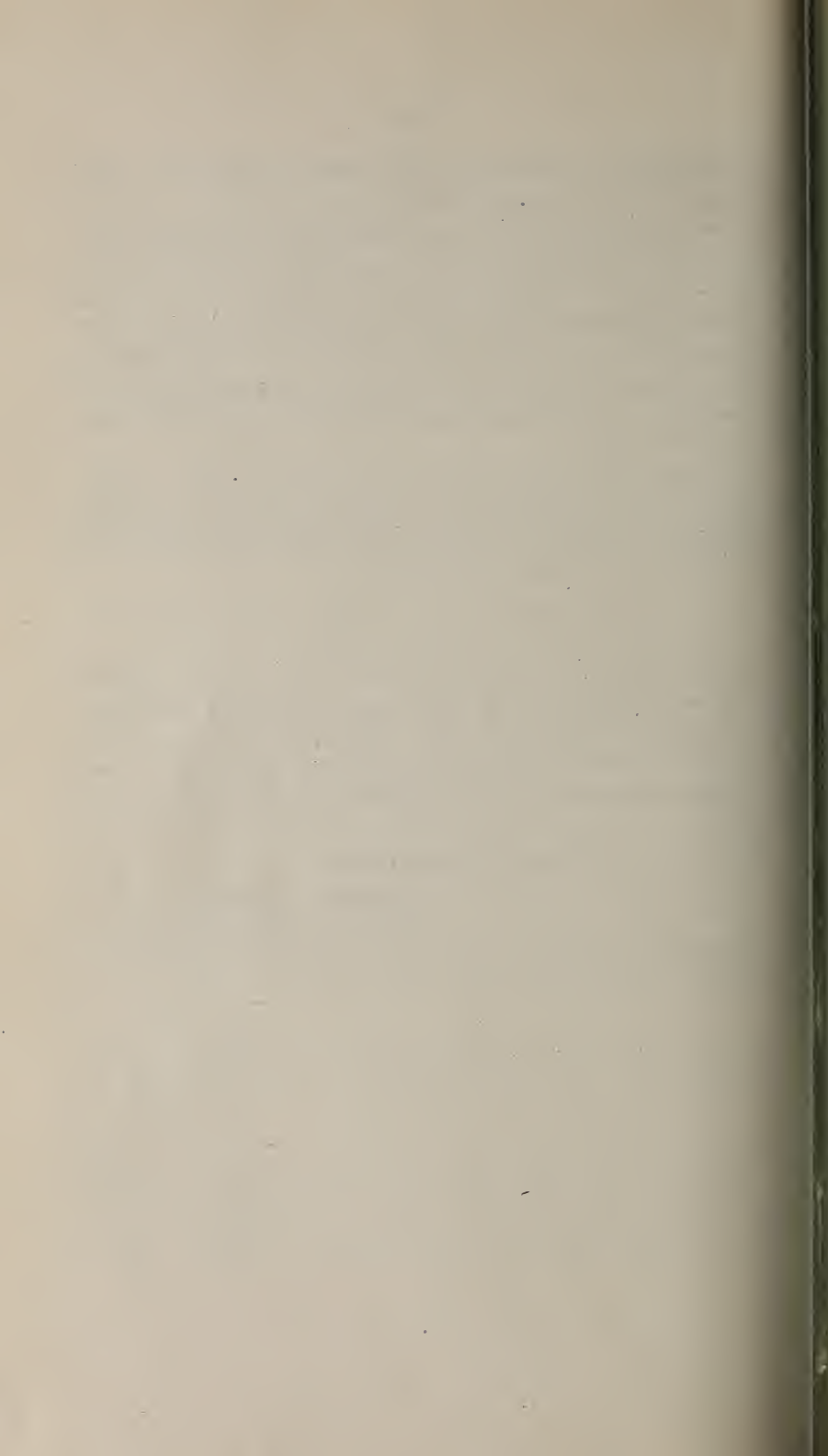
For several years the town has received from the State a grant of \$300 to aid in maintaining a "legal high school." The last Legislature increased the amount of this State aid to \$500, an act which the town highly appreciates.

In this, and in six previous annual reports, I have aimed to put on record some of the more important things attempted or accomplished in your schools. I acknowledge with gratitude the loyal co-operation of my associates during another year, and thank you most heartily for your continued confidence and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES,
Superintendent of Schools.

Holden, Mass., March 9, 1907.



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REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICERS OF RUTLAND

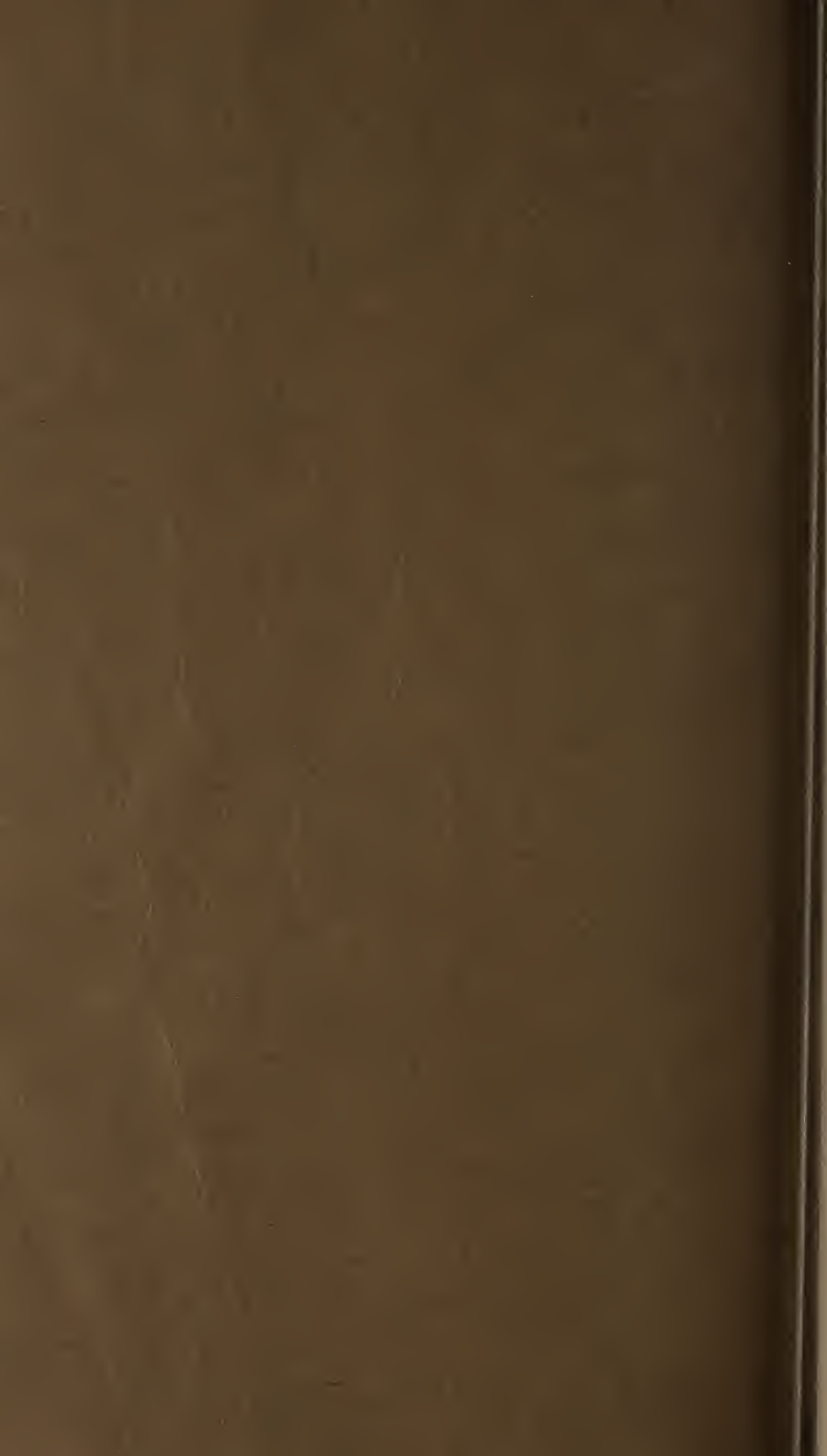
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OF THE
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TOWN OFFICERS

For the Year ending March 30, 1908

TOWN CLERK

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1910

SELECTMEN

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

J. WARREN MOULTON

THOMAS P. O'HERRON

ASSESSORS

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

DENNIS A. SMITH

CHESTER W. DODGE

OVERSEERS OF POOR

DAVID F. SMITH

JOSEPH E. WARE

*WILLIAM H. MAYNARD

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

CHESTER W. DODGE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

J. WARREN MOULTON

Term expires 1909

GEORGE H. MILES

Term expires 1910

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1908

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1908

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1910

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1909

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM E. CHAMBERLAIN

Term expires 1910

DAVID P. BUTLER

Term expires 1909

WALTER A. WHEELER

Term expires 1908

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1910

Mrs. SARAH D. MUNROE

Term expires 1908

. Mrs. SARA B. DRURY

Term expires 1909

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

FRANK D. FORBUSH

AUDITOR

EDWIN H. CROSBY

TREE WARDEN

WILLIAM W. PRESCOTT

CONSTABLES

LOUIS M. HANFF

J. WARREN MOULTON

DENNIS A. SMITH

PETER S. O'CONNOR

ANDREW S. CHARTER

*Did not qualify

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

JOSEPH E. WARE

JAMES R. PUTNAM

ARTHUR E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

GEORGE M. TAYLOR

LEWIS R. BIGELOW

GEORGE H. MILES

POUND KEEPER

PETER S. O'CONNOR

CATTLE INSPECTOR

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

MEAT AND PROVISION INSPECTOR

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

LOUIS M. HANFF

FENCE VIEWERS

ALVIN B. FISHER

WESTON R. UPHAM

MATTHEW DELEHANTY

SOLDIERS BURIAL AGENT

ROLAND C. PRESCOTT

SPECIAL POLICE

GEORGE H. MILES

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To EITHER of the Constables of the Town of Rutland,
in the County of Worcester.

Worcester, ss.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, in said Rutland, on the thirtieth day of March inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the annual reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for one Selectman for three years, one Selectman for two years, one Selectman for one year, one Assessor for three years, one Assessor for two years, one Assessor for one year, for one Overseer of Poor for three years, one Overseer of the Poor for two years, for one Over-

seer of the Poor for one year, for a Town Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for five Constables for one year, for an Auditor for one year, for one member of the School Committee for three years, for one Water Commissioner for three years, for one Trustee of Public Library for three years, for one member of the Board of Health for three years, for a Surveyor of Highways for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may close at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for support of poor, for state and military aid, for salaries of town officers, for use on memorial day, for contingent expenses and paying debts.

ART. 8 To see if the town will enforce the Sunday law against hunting and fishing.

ART. 9 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the water department on account of hydrant service.

ART. 10 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for maintainance of street lights, or act thereon.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the employment of a school physician.

ART. 12 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay the coperative surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for repairs on the public buildings.

ART. 14 To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes and Treasurer.

ART. 15 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for use of teams at fires.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to buy runners for the hearse.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of the town. One at each post-office and one at the Congregational Church in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eight.

WM. C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,	
THOS. O'HERRON,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1907 :

BIRTHS

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE
Celia Ann	Wm. A. & Nellie (Cahill) Curtis	Dec. 18, 1906
		1907
Harold Edward	Geo. M. & Julia (Blanchard) Davis	Jan. 6
Ellen	William & Nellie Merska	Feb. 24
William Paul	Paul & Annie D. (Quinn) Paris	March 17
Everett Russell	Alexander & Addie (Lawless) Henderson	March 19
Harvey Earle	James & Vara A. (Stearns) Hammond	April 5
Eleanor May	Clifford J. & Susan (Gleason) Knight	April 8
Janet Isabelle	Chelsea B. & Janet L. (Allison) Matthews	April 12
Ella Anna Christina	John H. & Margaret (Norstrom) Boquist	April 14
Grace	John W. & Clara E. (Connor) Jamison	July 9
Thomas Emmett	Patrick J. & Beatrice M. (Saulsimer) Myers	Aug. 8
Ernest Wheeler	Lewis R. & Elsie H. (Peabody) Bigelow	Aug. 14
*Female	— — — — —	Aug. 16
Rouer Joseph Alfred	Alfred & Etta (O'Reilly) Letendre	Sept. 22
Sarah Olive	Herman D. & Laura (Henderson) Bray	Sept. 23
Richard Emmett	Richard & Mildred V. (Foster) Maher	Oct. 7
Lorena Ella	Patrick J. & Kathryne (Hickey) Fitzpatrick	Nov. 5
Marguerette	John E. & Margaret (Quinn) Kinsella	Nov. 19
Veronica	Charles H. & Elizabeth (Brooks) Goodwin	Nov. 13
Martenah Elizabeth	Wm. J. & Mabel M. (Rich) Prescott	Dec. 7

*Born at Worcester

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
1907			
January 30	Paul Paris	Worcester	Rutland
	Annie Quinn		Rutland
February 19	John W. Jamison	Holden	Rutland
	Clara E. Connors		Rutland
April 3	Arthur W. Haughn	Clinton	Rutland
	Annie E. Moffitt		Lancaster
April 2	Patrick J. Fitzpatrick	Holden	Rutland
	Kathryne J. Hickey		Rutland
June 18	Archibald W. Parquette	Rutland	Cambridge
	Mary Cullen		Rutland
July 9	George H. Pidgeon	Rutland	Rutland
	Margaret A. McKinnon		Rutland
July 11	William D. Lane	Holden	Rutland
	Caroline I. Snelling		Rutland
August 5	Fred A. Laton	Holden	Rutland
	Mary Etta O'Rielly		Rutland
August 10	George F. Goldthwait	Rutland	Beverly
	Ida Nickerson		Beverly
October 31	John F. Applehans	New Britain, Ct.	Worcester
	Mary A. McCarthy		Rutland
November 28	Matthew Delehanty	Worcester	Rutland
	Bridget M. Maloney		Worcester
December 10	George C. Erskine	So. Paris, Me.	Rutland
	Iva L. McArdle		Paris, Me.
December 25	Bayard T. Crane	Rutland	Rutland
	Kathleen Miller		Rutland

DEATHS

DATE	NAME	AGE	RESIDENCE
1907		y. m. d.	
January 2	Zella I. Williams	— 9 16	Rutland
January 22	Judah Hambro	30 — —	Boston
January 23	Michael J. Lyons	27 — —	Fall River
February 8	John R. Metcalf	74 — 25	Rutland
March 13	Knud Nelson	46 4 14	Boston
March 15	Michael J. Moriarty	36 — —	Worcester
March 24	William H. Stevens	42 7 21	Marblehead
March 29	John J. Glancy	21 — 8	Boston
April 18	James Raymond McAllen	29 3 15	Greenfield
April 20	John B. Riley	20 7 28	Boston
April 22	Charles H. Ryan	20 5 3	Everett
May 16	Cora Belle Randall	34 1 25	Rutland
May 16	Franklin Hathaway	80 11 11	Rutland
May 21	Isaac Cohn	32 8 27	Boston

DATE 1907	NAME	AGE			RESIDENCE
		y.	m.	d.	
June 6	Patrick J. Shean	32	1	—	Arlington
June 28	Herbert S. Symonds	35	10	11	Fitchburg
July 18	James H. Shanley	40	—	—	Brookline
July 26	Florence A. R. White	26	2	13	Providence
August 13	Maude Walsh	26	11	25	Quincy
August 15	William A. Witham	61	10	16	Rutland
August 19	Helen A. Devine	19	—	—	Pittsfield
August 25	Walter H. Wickes	36	5	18	New York
August 31	Emma R. Benoit	54	—	—	Spencer
August 31	Frank B. Brown	62	5	21	Rutland
Sept. 14	David Davidson	36	—	—	Boston
Sept. 20	Mary E. Monahan	56	2	—	Worcester
Sept. 22	Patrick F. King	24	—	—	Clinton
Sept. 27	Clement Caruso	16	10	4	Boston
Sept. 28	Phillip J. Slattery	22	—	—	East Hampton
October 1	William Harkes	53	—	—	Dedham
October 1	John E. Enwright	16	11	23	Norwich Conn
October 2	Lewis H. Eaton	31	9	5	Springfield
October 7	Florence J. Donovan	46	—	—	Somerville
October 14	Michael Leary	71	—	—	Rutland
October 19	Zeela W. Crosby	34	3	—	Boston
October 23	Mary E. Anderson	35	6	—	Boston
October 25	Matthew Cummings	87	—	—	Rutland
October 27	Rachel D. Bliss	35	—	—	Rutland
October 27	Lucy E. Woodward	26	6	27	Northfield
October 31	Sylvester E. Sullivan	23	7	3	Cambridge
Nov'ber 1	Joseph Sutti	38	—	—	Boston
Nov'ber 14	Harriet Cowden	86	10	23	Rutland
Nov'ber 19	George H. Strong	35	10	19	Rutland
Dec'ber 3	Zebulon Strong	84	7	16	Rutland
Dec'ber 4	Amelia Carlson	50	—	—	Lynn
Dec'ber 16	Sarah M. Jones	25	5	8	Somerville
Dec'ber 17	George Elias	26	—	—	Lawrence
Dec'ber 19	Katharyne McClain	33	2	27	New York
Dec'ber 23	Catherine N. Harrington	20	8	22	Fall River
Dec'ber 25	John J. Sullivan	28	—	—	Worcester

Dogs licensed during the year 1907 :

Cash received for 111 males @ \$2.00

\$222 00

Cash received for 14 females @ \$5.00

70 00

\$292 00

Less 125 fees @ 20¢

25 00

Paid County Treasurer

\$267 00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Town Clerk

Rutland, March 2, 1908

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1908

The Selectmen herewith submit their report for the year ending March 1, 1908. We have drawn 446 orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$14,272.94, as follows :

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$1000 00	\$1000 00
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TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff	\$33 75	\$33 75
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SELECTMEN

William C. Temple	\$61 00	
J. Warren Moulton	58 00	
Thomas H. O'Herron	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$174 00

ASSESSORS

George S. Putnam	\$77 00	
Dennis A. Smith	57 50	
Chester W. Dodge	\$58 78	
	<hr/>	\$193 28

OVERSEERS OF POOR

David F. Smith	\$15 00	
Joseph E. Ware	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$18 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS

J. Warren Moulton	\$10 00	
George H. Miles	10 00	
William C. Temple	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 00

COLLECTOR

C. W. Dodge, Taxes and Water rents	\$247 73	\$247 73
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TREAUSRER

C. W. Dodge	\$100 00	\$100 00
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AUDITOR

E. H. Crosby	\$20 00	
F. H. Thayer, 1907	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00

REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff	\$9 00	
William C. Temple	7 00	
J. Warren Moulton	7 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 00

ELECTION OFFICERS

Frank H. Thayer	\$2 00	
John E. Boyle	2 00	
Matthew Delehanty	4 00	
Joseph M. Moulton	2 00	
Herman D. Bray	2 00	
George S. Putnam	2 00	
Lawrence E. Smith	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$16 00

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND MEAT

George S. Putnam	\$83 00	\$83 00
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CONSTABLES

L. M. Hanff	\$8 00	
J. W. Moulton	3 00	
P. S. O'Connor	3 00	
Dennis A. Smith	8 00	
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		\$22 00
Amount expended for town officers salaries		<hr/>
		\$971 76
Balance unexpended		\$28 24

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$4000 00	
Receipts from all other sources	2005 49	
		<hr/>
Total		\$6005 49
Orders drawn	\$6044 41	
Overdrawn		\$38 92
(See report of School Committee)		

POOR

Appropriation	\$300 00	
Orders drawn	447 06	
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Overdrawn		\$147 06
(See report of Overseers of Poor)		

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$1600 00	
Orders drawn	1661 90	
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Overdrawn		\$61 90
(See report of Highway Surveyor)		

MILITARY AID

Appropriation	\$50 00	
Orders drawn	48 00	
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Unexpended		\$2 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$25 00	
Order drawn		\$25 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$244 66	
Balance from last year	3 31	
		\$247 97
Orders drawn		221 22
Balance unexpended		\$26 75

(See Trustees report)

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$150 00	
Balance from last year	19 54	
		\$169 54
Paid E. A. Buck & Co., gasolene	\$39 30	
Standard Oil Co.,	26 17	
John Dickson, care of lights	100 80	
John Dickson, freight and supplies	4 00	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	3 36	
H. E. Smith, labor	75	
Best Light Co., supplies	11 76	
Total orders drawn	\$186 13	
Credit by barrels returned and oil sold	18 50	
Net cost of lights		\$167 63
Balance unexpended		\$1 91

REPAIRS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$150 00
Paid Waldo Bros., cement	\$31 98	
Adams & Powers, finish	11 26	
Henry Moynihan, labor	29 76	
Wm. Welch, labor	19 00	
P. S. O'Connor, labor	30 50	
L. M. Hanff, labor	8 70	
W. W. Prescott, labor	29 00	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	6 96	
		\$167 16
Overdrawn		\$17 16

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCOUNT

Boston Store, curtains	\$ 6 38	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	82 86	
Frank S. Pratt, coal	376 36	
L. M. Hanff, coal	15 64	
L. M. Hanff, repairs	47 33	
Miles Holden, supplies	54 72	
H. W. Calkins, wood	21 50	
H. W. Calkins, drawing coal	42 30	
George H. Miles, supplies	13 31	
H. E. Bush, supplies	4 00	
Smith & Green Co., supplies	50	
Elwood Adams, supplies	13 30	
Fuller & Warren Co., repairs	16 50	
C. C. Lowell, repairs	8 40	
George H. Miles	460 00	
		\$1163 10
Of the foregoing account two-thirds or	\$775 40	
is charged in the school account and one-		
third or	387 70	
is charged to the Public Building		
The Treasurer has received from rentals of		
building	201 20	
Leaving as a balance for maintenance of		
building	186 50	

SNOW BILLS

Appropriation for snow and incidentals		\$1500 00
Daniel McCarty	\$9 17	
A. C. Wheeler	6 00	
Matthew Delehanty	17 98	
Horace W. Davis	5 17	
E. M. Davis	3 81	
Della Laton	24 38	
J. J. Welch	17 49	
Dennis A. Smith	4 10	
W. C. Temple	9 66	
Edward C. Allen	7 00	
Horace E. Smith	6 00	
George E. Scott	14 60	

William White	\$4 33
Newton I. Sargent	8 00
Howard S. Davis	5 00
Walter G. Sargent	2 25
Peter Stenwick	3 17
Dennis O'Herron	25 50
H. W. Calkins	5 21
George H. Rice	18 00
W. H. Maynard	4 67
George M. Davis	3 33
W. G. Wales	5 10
C. B. Matthews	4 80

\$214 72

INCIDENTALS

E. H. Tripp, printing reports	\$63 75
C. F. Lawrence, printing ballots	17 50
Davis & Cook, Treasurer and Collector's bond	32 00
A. O. Chickering, old bill, paid by vote of town	28 00
O. W. McGann, old bill, paid by vote of town	51 00
L. M. Hanff, court fees	6 12
Miles Holden, lawn mower	7 60
E. H. Tripp, printing	4 50
John Henderson, lease of dumping grounds	15 00
P. B. Murphy, dog blanks	1 50
L. M. Hanff, executing and recording lease	1 87
E. H. Tripp, tax blanks	2 00
Sanford-Putnam Co., Assessors' supplies	4 93
Worcester County Abstract Co., real estate transfers	9 15
C. W. Dodge, negotiating loans and postage	12 00
H. J. Russell, repairing hearse	40 00
Iver Johnson Co., handcuffs	9 00
R. C. Prescott, death returns	15 75
C. W. Dodge, advertising	12 37
L. M. Hanff, court fees	80 79
E. A. Hanff, lettering signs	1 00
E. H. Tripp, Valuation Report, etc.	48 25
C. W. Dodge, postage	8 35
N. S. Hoagland, fire extinguishers	4 00
R. C. Prescott, death returns	4 50

W. E. Chamberlain, birth returns	\$23 45	
E. H. Tripp, tax bills	2 00	
George S. Putnam, Assessors' supplies	1 55	
George M. Davis, maintaining watering tub	4 50	
Frank A. Smith, insurance	18 00	
James F. McGovern, counsel fees	10 00	
W. T. Knowlton, returning births	50	
L. M. Hanff, court fees	58 64	
C. W. Dodge, pocket book	1 75	
C. W. Dodge, postage and envelopes	2 42	
L. M. Hanff, court fees	19 01	
J. W. Moulton, repairing guide boards	5 00	
George S. Putnam, expense relative to mad dogs	11 00	
John L. Smith, repairs on scraper	9 10	
Peter S. O'Connor, court fees	15 47	
C. W. Dodge, postage and examining titles	11 16	
L. M. Hanff, vital statistics	52 65	
George H. Miles, care of public grounds	20 00	
Total incidentals		\$747 13
Snow bills		214 72
Total		961 85
Balance unexpended		\$538 15

RECAPITULATION

Town Officers	\$971 76	
Public Schools, including two-thirds public building account	6044 41	
Support of poor	447 06	
Highways	1661 90	
State and Military aid	456 00	
Memorial Day	25 00	
Water Department	2742 75	
Street Lights	186 13	
Public Library	221 22	
Snow bills	214 72	
Repairs on Public Building	167 16	
Incidentals	747 13	
Public Building, one-third account	387 70	
		\$14,272 94

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

State Treasurer, water loan	\$19,000 00
State Treasurer, water loan	2,500 00
State Treasurer, building loan	11,100 00
State Treasurer, refund loan	2,500 00
People's Savings Bank, ten-year loan	11,000 00
People's Savings Bank, temporary loan	17,800 00
Hersom Brothers, water loan	1,500 00
Jose, Parker & Co., school loan	300 00
Mabel Heald, note	270 00
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	\$65,970 00

RESOURCES

Due from State Aid	\$432 00
Unpaid water rents	753 34
L. M. Hanff, on notes	375 00
C. W. Dodge, uncollected taxes from	
L. M. Hanff	3,633 30
C. W. Dodge, uncollected taxes, 1903	72 58
" " " " 1904	68 92
" " " " 1905	82 14
" " " " 1906	1,001 83
" " " " 1907	7,284 40
Cash in Treasurer's hands	868 71
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	\$14,572 22
Net debt of the town	<hr/>
	\$51,397 78

APPROPRIATIONS

	For 1907	Amount Paid Out	Reccommended For 1908
Town Officers	\$1000 00	\$ 971 76	\$1000 00
Public Schools	4000 00	6044 41	4000 00
From other sources	2005 49		
Support of poor	300 00	447 06	400 00
Highways	1600 00	1661 90	1600 00
Military aid	50 00	48 00	50 00
Memorial Day	25 00	25 00	25 00
Water Department	350 00		
Public Library	244 66	221 22	dog fund
Street Lights	169 54	167 63	250 00
Snow and incidentals	1500 00	961 85	1500 00
Debts and interest	5000 00	6600 00	7000 00
Repairs, Public Building	150 00	167 16	200 00
Tools for highway			25 00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, } *Selectmen*
 J. WARREN MOULTON, } *of*
 THOMAS P. O'HERRON, } *Rutland*

Rutland, March 1, 1908

REPORT OF

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending March 1, 1908

PAID

Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton	\$ 52 00
City of Worcester, for Rosa Rone	146 00
Worcester Hospital, for Lanra E. Adams	10 00
City of Worcester, for Alexander Lovely	2 25
City of Worcester, for Lisa Stone	52 81
Worcester Hospital, for Stone child	57 14
City of Boston, for Dora Chickering	32 86
Warren Moulton, for James White	94 00
Total expense for supporting poor the past year	\$447 06

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID F. SMITH, } *Overseers of*
JOSEPH E. WARE, } *Poor*

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

The sum of sixteen hundren dollars (1,600.00) was appropriated by the town for the repairs of roads and bridges.

As superintendent of the highways, I give below the amount expended each month.

In the month of April	\$ 55 25
May	419 58
June	415 68
July	156 00
August	65 16
September	255 68
October	153 81
November	96 95
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	\$1,618 11
Lumber for bridges	43 79
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	\$1,661 90

THE LIST OF TOOLS BELONGING TO THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2 road machines
5 shovels
3 picks
1 stone hammer
2 iron bars
2 hooks
2 hoes
2 brush scythes

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK D. FORBUSH,
Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT

Your Superintendent begs to submit the following report:

The Department has been under quite a large expense this year on account of having to almost wholly new tube the boiler at the pumping station.

We have made a number service connections, and also extended the main pipe line on the south road from Mr. Henderson's to the farm of Warren G. Wales.

Your Board of Commissioners met with one of the Trustees of the State Sanatorium to make a contract with them to furnish them with water, and succeeded in making the following contract: they to put in seven small meters, and to pay the town 12 cents per one thousand gallons. Contract to date back to the expiration of the old contract and run to October 1, 1908, making two years contract

AMOUNT OF SUPPLIES AND TOOLS ON HAND

350 feet 2-inch pipe
 400 feet galvanized inch pipe
 100 feet galvanized $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch pipe
 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ T
 1 2-inch coupling
 1 $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch shut-off
 1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch corporation cock
 7 soldering nipples
 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch brass unions
 5 1-inch Ts
 3 1-inch unions
 3 1-inch x $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reducers
 1 1-inch x $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reducer
 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch stop and waste
 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Ys
 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch plugs

- 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch plugs
- 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Ls
- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch coupling
- 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch unions
- 5 pounds of dynamite
- 100 feet fuse
- 50 caps
- 1 drill
- 16 picks and handles
- 14 shovels
- 2 hammers
- 1 pump
- 2 service boxes
- 1 bog hoe
- 123 feet block tin thawing pipe
- 1 2-inch die plate
- 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch drills
- 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch taps
- 2 wrenches for sidewalk shut-off
- 2 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch taps
- 1 1-inch tap
- 1 1-inch drill
- 1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch reamer
- 1 1-inch reamer
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch die plate ratchet plate
- 1 $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate
- 1 $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch die plate
- 1 2-inch die plate
- 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch die plate
- 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch die plate
- 1 2-inch Stanwood cutter
- 1 expander
- 1 gate wrench
- 1 Miller's ratchet pipe cutter
- 1 18-inch Stillson pipe wrench
- 1 24-inch Stillson pipe wrench
- 1 wall vice
- 2 packer's sleeve ratchets
- 1 tube scraper

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Dr.

Paid Interest on water loan	\$865 00
E. Lawrence, wood	22 51
B. & M. R. R., freight on coal	309 83
B. & M. R. R., freight on pipe, etc.	3 82
Knowles Steam Pump Works	10 16
Frank Pratt, coal	151 51
J. Harris, drawing coal	9 90
H. Davis, " "	53 20
J. W. Evons, inspecting boiler	5 00
E. H. Tripp, printing bill heads	2 50
M. Loughman, blacksmithing	7 50
E. Russell Norton, coal	418 27
George Burns, labor	7 70
M. Nihen " "	71 77
H. E. Wheeler, " "	2 15
James Scott " "	8 75
Geo. Gates, team to Jefferson for Stewart's men	5 25
Mrs. Moriarty, for pipe	3 65
Stewart Boiler Works, for labor	39 40
Elwood Adams, fire brick	4 00
W. H. Prescott, labor at pumping station	1 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., boiler tubes	81 34
John Nihen, labor	53 68
H. E. Smith, labor on leak	1 00
Iver Johnson, dynamite, etc.	7 25
Geo. Clark, oil	5 00
Duncan, Goodell Co., picks and shovels	19 38
Fred Allen, labor	43 35
John Connor " "	34 61
Jack Jameson " "	29 94
Tom Connor " "	74 88
Miller Henderson " "	18 50
W. H. Bartlett " "	4 29
P. S. O'Connor, team and labor	38 50
H. Calkins, drawing coal	6 70
Peter O'Neal, labor on ditch	28 87

Peter O'Neal, labor on leak	\$1 75
C. A. Stone, labor on leak	1 44
W. Wales, drawing coal and pipe	13 15
A. C. Wheeler, drawing coal	12 00
Miles Holden, oil and supplies	12 14
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe and supplies	407 72
W. Cleany, thawing pipe	3 00
G. Gorden, " "	3 00
W. Maynard, " "	2 00
W. Maynard, stopping leak	1 00
Callahan Supply Co., block tin pipe	12 80
William's Express, supplies	2 00
G. H. Miles, labor, expense, etc.	94 78
G. H. Miles, for supt.	25 00
E. Viner, for wood	5 00
" " pay in Thomas Smith bill	73
" " repairs on boiler	44 26
" " stopping leaks	5 63
" " for pumping	504 94
American Express Co.	25
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	\$3,607 75

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Received from State Sanatorium	\$1758 12
Due from State Sanatorium to February 1908, estimated	750 00
Received from patrons of the town to March 1, 1908	1012 51
Due from patrons and uncollected to March 1, 1908	72 43
Due from town, appropriation, hydrant service	350 00
Due from town, supplying public building	20 00
Due from town, supplying two public watering places	10 00
Due from town supplying fountain at Rural Cemetery	10 00
Due and received for service supplies	138 74
Value of coal on hand March 1, 1908	80 00
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	\$4901 80

Due for water rentals and service connections		
March 1, 1907	\$680 91	
The amount due and received for water rentals		
and service connections and coal on hand	4901 80	
The amount paid for interest on loan, repairs		
and extensions and service connections,		
tools, etc.	3607 75	
Leaving a balance in favor of the town of		\$1294 05

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. MILES,
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RESOURCES

Balance from last year	\$ 3 49	
Appropriation	244 66	
Received from fines	2 93	
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Total receipts		\$251 08

EXPENDITURES

Paid Librarian's salary	\$78 00	
Mrs. E. J. Prouty, work, 1907	20 00	
Library Bureau, supplies	6 00	
Express and supplies	2 25	
Twenty-one volumes Encyclopedia	72 25	
Fifty volumes new books	44 97	
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Total expenditures		\$223 47
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Balance unexpended		\$27 61

The circulation of the Library the past year has been 3118.

Various organizations of the town have generously continued their contributions of literature for the reading room. Those doing so and the amount they gave were as follows:

Fire Department	\$10 00	
Home Relief	3 00	
Grange	3 00	
Ladies' Union	1 50	
Christian Endeavor Society	1 .50	
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Total		\$19 50

With this sum the following magazines have been subscribed for:

Harper's Magazine	The Outlook
Scientific American	Travel Magazine
World To-Day	Cosmopolitan
McClure s	Country Gentleman
New England Homestead	Garden Magazine
C. E. World	Little Chronicle

The following individuals have given books and magazines:

Mrs. Converse—The Ladies' Home Journal and The World's Wonders

Mrs. J. P. Munroe—Lexington, St. Nicholas.

Mrs. W. H. Bartlett—Saturday Evening Post

Miss A. S. Bigelow—Sabbath Reading

Mrs. F. R. Foster—Life of Theodore Roosevelt

Mrs. S. E. Monroe—The Leopards Spots

Edward Forbush—2 copies Useful Birds and Their Protection

It was the intention of your Trustees to have had a catalogue printed, but owing to being delayed in receiving from the one who classified the Library a list of the contents, it was decided to purchase books instead.

We have purchased for the Library the New International Encyclopedia, complete, twenty-one volumes, the latest and best work of its kind. We have also added fifty volumes of new books.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} Trustees of Library
MRS. SARAH E. MONROE,	
MRS. SARA B. DRURY,	

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

1907 C. W. Dodge, Treas., in acct. with the Town of Rutland. Dr.

RECEIVED

March	1	Cash on hand	\$2,564 48
April	6	Geo. H. Miles, hall rent	5 90
May	4	" " "	17 00
	4	John Dickson, cash for oil	2 50
	4	L. M. Hanff, auctioneer's license	2 00
	4	John N. Powe, license for pool table	10 00
June	1	George H. Miles, hall rent	16 00
	1	C. W. Dodge, Collector of taxes	1,001 20
	1	" " interest on taxes	74 35
	1	" " on Hanff's old taxes	158 57
	1	" " int. on Hanff's old taxes	16 96
July	1	People's Savings Bank, note	2,000 00
	6	L. M. Hanff, on note	50 00
	6	" " interest on note	3 00
	6	George H. Miles, hall rent	16 50
	6	" " " water department	15 12
	27	State, Trustees Lyman Indust. School	5 50
	27	State, appropriation for School Com.	165 00
Aug.	1	George H. Miles, hall rent	16 00
	6	State Treas. acct., due town	560 00
Sept.	7	George H. Miles, hall rent	17 00
	7	C. W. Dodge, Collector of taxes	1,783 50
	7	" " interest on taxes	111 55
	7	" " Collector water rents	974 21

Oct.	3	For fines in House of Correction	\$50 00
	5	Balance due town for fines	04
	5	George H. Miles, hall rent	22 00
	22	State, on account of School Supt.	312 50
Nov.	2	L. M. Hanff, on note	75 00
	2	" " interest on note	4 50
	2	George H. Miles, hall rent	25 30
	16	State, Corporation tax	6 36
	16	" National Bank tax	1 52
	16	" Military aid	24 00
	16	" State aid	425 00
	23	E. C. Buck & Co., oil bbls. returned	12 50
Dec.	2	C. W. Dodge, Collector of taxes	6,093 59
	2	" " " interest on taxes	64 72
	2	" " " of water rents	208 26
	2	" " " L. M. Hanff, old taxes	42 44
	2	" " " " int. old taxes	5 65
	7	W. H. Bartlett, water	17 96
	10	Town of Oakham, tuition	8 00
	21	George H. Miles, hall rent	32 25
	21	E. H. Wheeler, for putting in water	18 89
	21	Patrick Kilcoin, putting in water	34 31
	31	County Treasurer, dog fund	237 63
	31	District Court, fine	9 32
1908			
Jan.	25	State, school fund	997 49
	31	Standard Oil Co., barrels returned	3 50
Feb.	1	George H. Miles, hall rent	14 50
	29	" " " "	19 25
	29	Henry Calkins, for water pipe	4 03
	29	L. M. Hanff, on note	100 00
	29	" " interest on note	15 75
	29	George H. Miles, water department	4 76
	29	C. W. Dodge, taxes collected	4,896 38
	29	" " interest on taxes collected	135 89
	29	" " from Sanatorium, water rates	1,091 48
	29	" " town water rents	495 62
	29	School Committee, over paid bill	9 00
			<hr/> \$25,105 73

PAID

1907

March	11	E. Mable Heald, interest on note	\$ 10 80
	20	State Treasurer, interest on note	40 63
	22	Jose Parker, interest on note	6 00
April	3	Ethel L. Heald, on note	40 00
	17	George N. Brigg, on overpaid taxes	30 30
	17	State Treasurer, note	500 00
	17	" " interest on note	48 75
May	1	" " " "	192 50
	4	People's Savings Bank, interest	94 50
	14	" " " "	45 00
June	4	" " " "	56 25
	7	Hersom Brothers, interest	26 25
	29	People's Savings Bank, interest	67 50
	29	" " " "	240 00
July	1	" " " note	1,000 00
	16	" " " interest	45 00
	29	" " " "	20 00
	29	State Treasurer, interest	375 00
Aug.	7	People's Savings Bank, interest	11 25
	15	State Treasurer, note	300 00
	16	People's Savings Bank, interest	58 50
	16	State Treasurer, interest	14 63
Sept.	4	Ethel L. Heald, interest on note	25 00
	4	State Treasurer, " "	40 62
	28	Ethel L. Heald, on note	30 00
Oct.	3	Jose Parker & Co., interest on note	6 00
	17	State Treasurer, interest on note	40 63
	30	" " " "	183 75
	30	E. H. Gay & Co., State note and interest	508 75
	30	County Treasurer, County tax	751 00
Nov.	4	People's Savings Bank, interest	99 75
	9	Mable E. Heald, interest on note	5 40
	14	People's Savings Bank, interest	45 00
	16	State Treasurer, State tax	840 00
	16	" " repairs on highway	58 00
	24	Ethel L. Heald, on note	25 00

Dec.	4	People's Savings Bank, interest	\$59 40
	28	" " " note	1,000 00
	28	" " " interest on note	71 25
1908			
Jan.	1	" " " " "	267 50
	6	Ethel L. Heald, on note	30 00
	11	State Treasurer, note	1,000 00
	13	Hersom Brothers, interest	26 25
	16	State Treasurer, interest	27 00
	29	People's Savings Bank, note	1,000 00
	29	" " " interest	23 83
Feb.	1	State Treasurer, interest	356 25
	10	Ethel L. Heald, balance on note	123 71
	15	People's Savings Bank, interest	13 13
	15	State Treasurer, interest	9 75
	18	People's Savings Bank, interest	68 25
	27	Jose Parker & Co., interest	6 00
	29	445 Town Orders	14,272 94
	29	Cash on hand in treasury	868 71
			<hr/> \$25,105 73

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. DODGE,
Treasurer

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

1908

Feb.	29	Balance in Five Cent Savings Bank,	\$100 00
	29	Dividend paid	4 04
			<hr/> \$104 04

C. W. DODGE,
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR

1907			
March.	1	L. M. Hanff's taxes to collect from 1897 to 1903	\$3834 31
March	1	1908 " " collected	201 01
	1	" " interest	22 61
	1	" " uncollected	3,633 30
	1	1903 taxes to collect	254 50
	1	1904 " "	329 80
	1	1905 " "	919 11
	1	1906 " "	5,379 30
	1	1907 " "	15,860 67
1908			
	1	1903 taxes collected	175 85
	1	" " abated	6 09
	1	" " interest	32 92
	1	1904 taxes collected	252 79
	1	" " abated	8 09
	1	" interest	59 28
	1	1905 taxes collected	801 88
	1	" " abated	35 09
	1	" interest	109 74
	1	1906 taxes collected	4,207 48
	1	" " abated	169 99
	1	" interest	155 57
	1	1907 taxes collected	8,321 13
	1	" " abated	255 14
	1	" interest	29 00
	1	1903 taxes to collect	72 58
	1	1904 " "	68 92
	1	1905 " "	82 14
	1	1906 " "	1,001 83
	1	1907 " "	7,284 40

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. DODGE.

Collector

WATER REPORT

1907

RECEIVED FROM SANATORIUM

For 8 months rent at \$8.33 per month		\$666 64
Oct. 1907	\$169 99	
Celle house	50	
Farm	1 16	
Difference on Oct. 1906 bill	86 66	
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		\$258 38
November 1907	171 29	
Celle house	50	
Farm	1 16	
Difference on Nov. 1906 bill	87 96	
Feb. 25 12 months water rent on Celle house	6 00	
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		\$266 91

1908

Feb. 18	For December 1907	176 21	
18	Balance due town for Dec. 1906	92 88	
18	Celle house	50	
18	Farm	1 16	
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			\$270 75
18	January, 1908	188 59	
18	Balance due town for Jan. 1907	105 26	
18	Celle house	50	
18	Farm	1 16	
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			\$295 51
	Total		<hr/>
			\$1,758 13

RECEIVED FROM TOWN

Water rents from Jan. 1, 1907 to July, 1907	\$516 86
" " " July, 1907 to Jan. 1908	495 65
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	\$2,770 64

Respectfully submitted

C. W. DODGE,
Collector

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year ending March 1, 1908

STATISTICS

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age, as per school census September 1, 1907	237
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1907	246
Average membership for the year	211.7
Average attendance for the year	189.4
Per cent. of attendance	89.2
For the attendance by schools and terms, see the statistical table in the Superintendent's report.	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

Appropriations and other sources	\$4000 00
State, toward Superintendent's salary	312 00
Lyman School, tuition	5 50
State Board of Charity, tuition	17 00
City of Boston, tuition	165 00
Town of Oakam, tuition	8 00
Income Massachusetts School Fund	997 49
State, for High School	500 00
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	\$6005 49

Available funds	\$6005 49	
Due for tuition, State Board of Charity	75 00	
Refunded to Treasurer, overpayment teacher's salary	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$6089 49
Approved bills		6044 41
Balance in favor of committee		<hr/> \$45 08

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries	\$2835 75	
Transportation	1383 40	
Books and supplies	263 20	
Supervision	455 00	
Printing	11 20	
Repairs	192 93	
Janitors	329 66	
Fuel	522 74	
Sundries	50 53	
	<hr/>	\$6044 41

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS' SALARIES

William S. Dunn, High School, principal	\$380 00
George H. Boyden, High School, principal	259 75
Joseph V. Jewett, High School, principal	80 00
Miss J. Louise Marelay, High School, assistant	400 00
Miss Alice F. Dodge, Grammar, Center	120 00
Miss Beulah W. Higgins, Grammar Center	242 00
Miss Martha E. Bemis, Intermediate Center	374 00
Miss Marion Kelcher, Primary Center	212 00
Miss Beulah W. Higgins, Primary Center	132 00

Miss Marion Kelcher, West Rutland	\$108 00
Miss Joanna Kilmain, "	144 00
Miss Alice G. Buck, "	54 00
Miss Georgiana K. Fiske, North Rutland	119 00
Miss Nellie K. Bishop, "	207 00
Mayme Newman, "	4 00
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	\$2835 75

TRANSPORTATION

Matthew J. Cullen	\$364 10
Dennis A. Smith	287 20
Horace E. Smith	265 60
Weston R. Upham	168 00
George M. Davis	102 00
Dellar Laton	132 00
Mrs. B. A. Leary	28 50
Frank E. Ryerson	12 00
Lewis Bigelow	12 00
George B. Fuller	12 00
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	\$1383 40

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

John L. Hammett & Co.	\$97 87
Ginn & Co.	61 34
John Carter & Co.	6 28
D. C. Heath & Co.	25 51
American Book Co.	34 40
Scott Forsman Co.	1 13
E. E. Babb & Co.	18 59
J. Louise Marclay	3 26
Estabrook Pen Co.	3 72
Osbourne Co.	2 60
Barnard & Co.	5 55
H. J. Jones	2 95
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	\$263 20

SUPERVISION

Herbert J. Jones, superintendent	\$400 00	
William C. Temple, Committee	5 00	
Louis M. Hanff, “	20 00	
Dennis A. Smith “	15 00	
George S. Putnam, school census	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$455 00

PRINTING

F. S. Blanchard & Co., Superintendent's report	\$10 20	
Davis Press, letter heads	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$11 20

REPAIRS

Louis M. Hanff, North Rutland repairs, metal ceiling and walls and labor	\$140 44	
Walter B. Ware, West Rutland	33 68	
Miles Holden, material, N. and W. Rutland	16 21	
Adams & Powers, moulding	2 60	
	<hr/>	\$192 93

JANITORS

North Rutland School	\$13 00	
West Rutland School	10 00	
George H. Miles, Center Building	306 66	
	<hr/>	\$329 66

FUEL

George M. Davis, North Rutland, wood	\$33 00	
H. W. Calkins, West Rutland, wood	15 50	
Lewis R. Bigelow & Co., West Rutland, wood	5 50	
Center Building including two-thirds sundries	468 74	
	<hr/>	\$522 74

SUNDRIES

F. R. Smith, broom, etc	\$ 70	
A. E. Coddington, broom, etc.	95	
Clark, Sawyer & Co., cups	99	
Prouty Brothers, zinc and elbow	1 25	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight, etc.	4 44	
Town of Paxton, tuition	15 00	
H. J. Jones, office supplies, etc.	16 07	
George M. Davis, cleaning school	6 85	
Miss Fiske, cash paid for cleaning, etc.	1 68	
L. M. Hanff, postage and expense	2 60	
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		\$50 53

STATE SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT

Received from State Treasurer	\$997 49
Transferred to general account for school bills	997 49
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SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and reported as follows:

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	140	
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	97	
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Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	120	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	79	
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ROLL OF HONOR

The following pupils were neither absent nor tardy for the number of terms specified:

HIGH SCHOOL. *One term.*: Charlotte M. Drury, John Gleason, J. Wendell Moulton, Esther Wheeler, Charles E. Taylor, Adrienne Stone, Catherine Putnam, Grace L. Smith, Georgiana Taylor.

Two terms: Louise Maynard, Myrna L. Miles, Wallace Forbush.

OTHER CENTER SCHOOLS. *One term:* Francis Burke, Nelson Calkins, Linda Hanff, Ludovic Hanff, Edith Haley, Dora Hartwell, Arthur Hammond, Catherine McKinnon, Henry McKinnon, Esther Pierce, Mary Moulton, Bernice Putnam, Lilian Upham, George Putnam, William Murphy, Merrill Forbush, Frank Brooks, Harold Hammond, Melvin Howard, Rufus Putnam, Frank Calkins, Albert Montague, Benjamin Parmelee, David Sargent.

Two terms: Frank Maynard, Fannie Miles, George Putnam, Marion Welch Joseph Murphy, Stephen Manning, Thomas O'Brien.

Three terms: Ruth Forbush, George Putnam.

NORTH RUTLAND SCHOOL. *One term:* Bertie Handy, Charles Valley, Mable Goodwin, Charles Hatstat.

WEST RUTLAND SCHOOL. *One term:* Gladys Cheever, Guy Cheever, Maud Hadley.

Two terms: Inez Taylor.

CALENDAR—1908-9

SPRING TERM—From March 31 to June 19, inclusive, 12 weeks. High School one week longer to June 26, 13 weeks.

FALL TERM—From September 8 to Nov. 20, inclusive, 11 weeks.

WINTER TERM—From Nov. 30, to Dec. 18, inclusive, and from Dec. 28 to Feb. 19, inclusive, 11 weeks. High School to March 24, 15 weeks. Making 34 weeks for lower grades and 40 weeks for High School.

From the financial statement you will notice that about \$200 was expended for repairs. Most of it on the North Rutland school-house, where all the plastering in the school room was removed and metal used on the side walls and ceiling. This was very much

needed as the plaster on the walls was loose and that of the ceiling kept falling down making it necessary to keep patching each year. This school-house, as far as the interior is concerned, will be in good condition for several years.

The ceiling in the basement of the Center school building is in about the same condition as the one in North Rutland was, and an appropriation for a metal ceiling is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS A. SMITH,	}	<i>School Committee</i>
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,		
LOUIS M. HANFF,		

Rutland, March 1, 1908

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer and Superintendent of Water Department, for the year ending March 1, 1908, and to the best of my knowledge and belief are correct.

I respectfully submit the following report:

Schools, overdrawn		\$ 29 92	
Highways overdrawn		61 90	
Support of Poor, overdrawn		147 06	
State and Military aid, balance unexpended			\$ 43 00
Town Officers salaries	" "		69 74
Memorial Day			
Contingent and snow appropriation	\$1500 00		
Income from Public Building	201 70		
		\$1701 70	
Snow	\$214 72		
Incidentals	747 13		
Special appropriations	167 16		
Public Building	387 20		
		\$1516 71	
Balance unexpended			\$184 99
Street Lights, overdrawn		\$17 63	
School Physician, unexpended			\$25 00
Water Department, hydrant service	\$350 00		
Water income	2864 64		
		\$3214 64	
Selectmen's orders	\$2742 75		
Interest on water loan	883 00		
		\$3625 75	

Overdrawn		\$411 11
Debts and interest,		
appropriation	\$5000 00	
Interest on taxes	409 12	
Principle and int. on note	248 25	
State for transportation		
of paupers	1 50	
Court fines	59 36	
State, corporation tax	6 36	
State, National Bank tax	1 52	
Auctioneer's license	2 00	
Pool Table, license	10 00	
Overlayings	211 67	

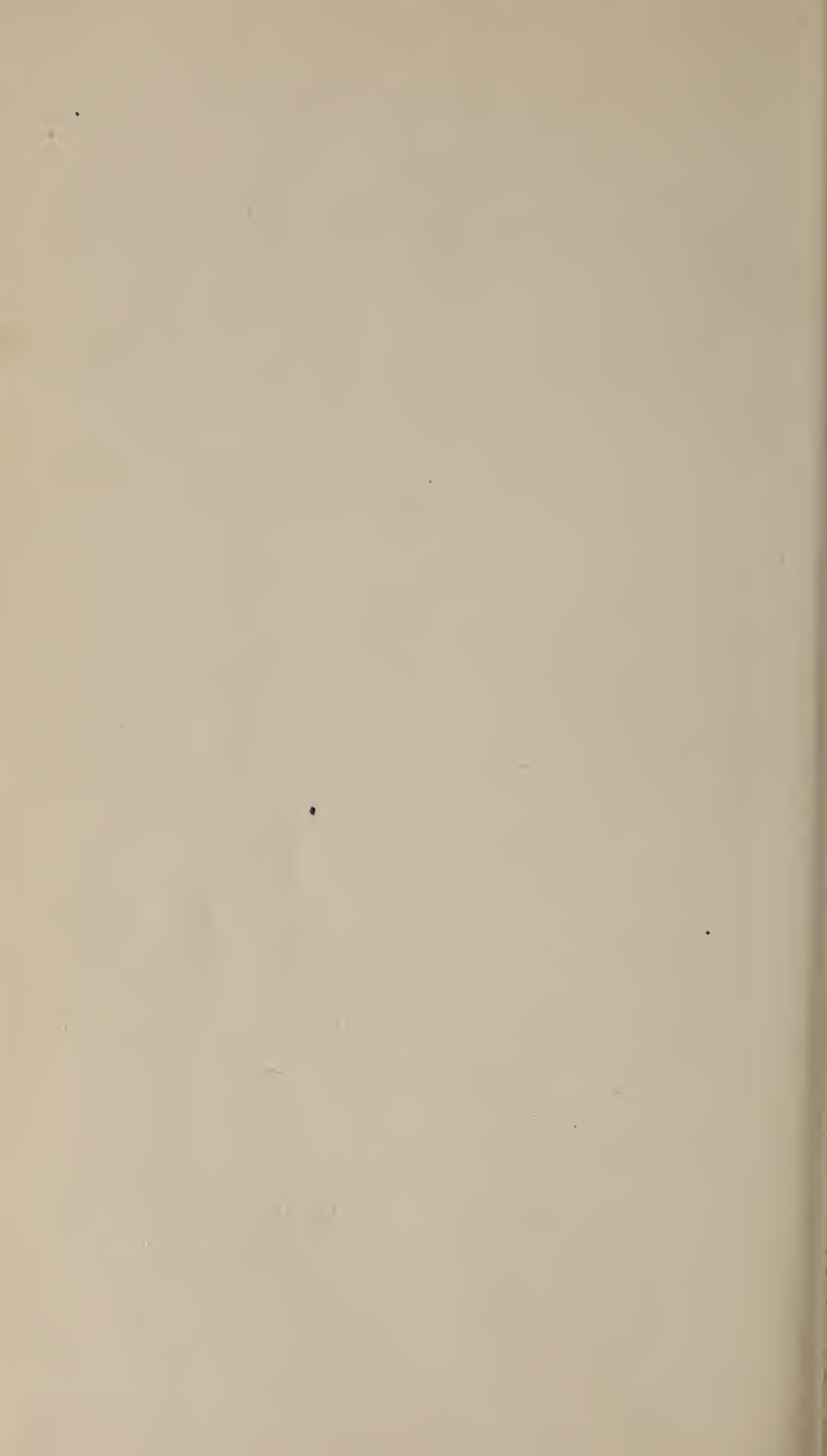
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State Treasurer, road tax	\$ 58 00
" " on notes	2300 00
People's Savings Bank	1000 00
Mabel Heald, interest	16 20
Jose Parker & Co., interest	18 00
Hersom Bros., interest	52 50
People's Savings Bank,	
interest	1286 11
State Treas., int. outside	
water notes	446 51
Abatements, 1907 taxes	255 14
Ethel Heald, note and	
interest	273 71

\$5706 17

Balance unexpended		\$243 61
	\$667 62	\$566 34
	566 34	
Balance against the town	\$101 28	

EDWIN H. CROSBY,
Auditor



EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

FOR THE

CENTRAL WORCESTER UNION

TOWNS:

HOLDEN, OAKHAM, PAXTON, RUTLAND
WORCESTER COUNTY, MASS.

MARCH, 1908

THE CENTRAL WORCESTER UNION.

The union was formed July 16, 1900. The services and salary of the superintendent are shared as follows: Holden, one-half; Rutland, one-fourth; Oakham, three-twentieths; Paxton, one-tenth. The superintendent's year begins August 1. Thirty-three teachers are employed in thirty schools. The chairman of the joint committee is Jesse Allen, of Oakham, and the secretary is Mrs. Addie M. Holden, of Holden. The members of the various committees, with the expiration of their respective terms, are shown below:

HOLDEN.

	Term Expires.
Mrs. Addie M. Holden, secretary,	1908
William J. Powers,	1908
James A. Holden, chairman,	1909
Mrs. Martha E. Graham,	1909
Mrs. Anna P. Fay,	1910
T. Walter Howe,	1910

RUTLAND.

	Term Expires.
Dennis E. Smith, chairman,	1908
William C. Temple,	1909
Louis M. Hanff, secretary,	1910

OAKHAM.

	Term Expires.
Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, secretary,	1908
Jesse Allen, chairman,	1909
H. W. Lincoln,	1910

PAXTON.

	Term Expires.
Walter E. Clark,	1909
Mrs. Susie E. Flint,	1910
Lewis S. Clapp,	1911

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the School Committees of Holden, Oakham, Paxton, and Rutland:

In the terms of the statute, your towns constitute "a union for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools." The superintendent has found it practicable to treat his entire field as a unit in all essential matters, and therefore reports to you as the "joint committee" who employ him.

The more important phases of the school enterprise are of common interest to the citizens of all the towns. A few things of local interest are treated under the title "Town Notes." Your agreement regarding the distribution of the superintendent's time and effort among the towns corresponds approximately to the relative amount of work to be done, and no serious difficulty has been found in carrying out the agreement.

This eighth report, like its predecessors, is furnished to the several town printers to form a part of the annual pamphlet issued before the town meeting. The early meeting in Paxton makes an exception necessary there, and the superintendent's report goes to the citizens of that town in separate form.

ATTENDANCE.

Attention is called to the "Summary" below and to the tables which follow. The latter give the facts of attendance

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE.

	HOLDEN.	OAKHAM.	PAXTON.	RUTLAND.	TOTAL.
No. enrolled since September 1, 1907,	478.	105.	97.	246.	926.
Average membership for year,	435.5	88.9	79.7	211.7	815.8
Average attendance for year,	391.8	83.8	66.3	189.4	731.3
Per cent. of attendance for year,	89.7	93.2	84.5	89.2	88.8
Per cent. of attendance for last year,	89.8	94.9	89.0	88.0	90.3

STATISTICAL TABLES.

HOLDEN.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS, 1907-08	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
High School-----	{ A. K. Learned, Prin... Marion E. Bascom... Anjenette Newton, Assistants	Spring...	12	60.9	54.8	89.9		21
		Fall	12	61.6	57.6	93.4		42
		Winter ..	15	59.0	51.5	87.2	90.2	79
Center Primary----	{ Margery A. Rice..... Margery A. Rice..... Margery A. Rice.....	Spring...	12	43.3	38.5	88.5		39
		Fall	12	35.4	30.4	85.9		38
		Winter ..	12	37.4	30.9	82.7	85.7	44
Center Grammar----	{ Elizabeth A. Brown... Elizabeth A. Brown... Elizabeth A. Brown...	Spring...	12	35.5	31.8	89.5		62
		Fall	12	38.8	35.7	92.0		68
		Winter ..	12	39.3	33.7	86.9	89.5	97
Jefferson, First Primary----	{ Laura L. Chenery..... Laura L. Chenery..... Laura L. Chenery.....	Spring...	12	29.7	27.0	90.7		17
		Fall	12	21.5	19.7	91.7		33
		Winter ..	9	21.1	14.6	68.7	83.7	15
Jefferson, Second Primary----	{ Ella O. Petersen	Spring...	12	31.8	29.0	92.0		10
		Fall	12	36.3	34.1	94.1		61
		Winter ..	12	32.8	27.3	83.5	89.9	75
Jefferson Intermediate	{ Esther C. Hendricks... Esther C. Hendricks... Esther C. Hendricks...	Spring...	12	32.9	30.3	92.8		13
		Fall	12	27.1	26.3	93.6		25
		Winter ..	9	28.9	25.5	88.5	91.6	29
Jefferson Grammar	{ Clara K. Bascom..... Clara K. Bascom..... Clara K. Bascom.....	Spring...	12	25.5	23.3	91.3		20
		Fall	12	33.6	30.7	91.3		41
		Winter ..	12	32.0	27.9	87.2	89.9	20
Chaffin Primary----	{ Elsie H. Crawshaw.... Annie C. Buck..... Annie C. Buck.....	Spring...	12	29.3	25.4	86.7		
		Fall	12	23.5	21.5	91.4		3
		Winter ..	11	23.0	20.4	88.8	89.0	4
Chaffin Grammar----	{ L. Ula Skelton..... Dagny Lindgren..... Dagny Lindgren.....	Spring...	12	23.7	21.2	90.0		0
		Fall	12	26.9	25.5	93.4		2
		Winter ..	11	26.9	25.5	94.6	92.3	0
Quinapoxet Primary	{ A. Florence Kirby.... Martha E. Clark..... Martha E. Clark.....	Spring...	12	20.0	18.4	92.1		0
		Fall	12	17.5	16.8	83.1		7
		Winter ..	12	16.0	16.5	87.2	87.5	31
Quinapoxet Grammar	{ Ethel H. Crowe..... Winnifred P. Gregg... Winnifred P. Gregg...	Spring...	12	18.5	16.5	89.4		7
		Fall	12	16.6	16.4	93.3		1
		Winter ..	12	13.7	13.2	90.7	91.1	3
North Woods	{ Margaret Tracy..... Margaret Tracy..... Laura B. Desmarais...	Spring...	12	13.6	10.6	77.0		24
		Fall	12	15.2	14.3	94.0		19
		Winter ..	12	14.3	13.2	91.7	87.6	17
Springdale	{ M. Alice Morong..... M. Alice Morong..... M. Alice Morong.....	Spring...	12	10.2	9.2	91.9		10
		Fall	12	14.1	14.0	99.2		2
		Winter ..	12	14.0	13.7	98.0	96.4	14
Dawson	{ Mary Early..... Mary Early..... Ethel G. Ward.....	Spring...	12	21.0	19.9	94.9		10
		Fall	12	26.2	23.4	89.3		4
		Winter ..	12	19.9	17.8	89.4	91.2	5
South	{ Sadie I. Packard..... Sadie I. Packard..... Sadie I. Packard.....	Spring...	12	19.7	18.9	95.0		46
		Fall	12	22.0	20.9	95.0		42
		Winter ..	11	19.0	16.7	88.1	92.7	9
Unionville	{ Agnes L. Kirby..... Margaret Balcom..... Mary F. Donovan.....	Spring...	12	24.3	21.2	86.7		38
		Fall	12	26.6	22.7	85.7		48
		Winter ..	12	26.3	21.0	79.8	84.1	40

PAXTON.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	TERMS, 1907-08	No. Weeks in Term.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Per Cent. for Year.	No. Cases of Tardiness.
Primary-----	Sarah T. Britton-----	Spring---	19	33.9	28.5	83.7	77.9	47
	Ethel G. Tolman-----	Fall-----	12	40.9	33.9	82.9		37
	Anna F. Finnerty-----	Winter---	5	33.2	22.4	67.0		0
Intermediate-----	M. Alice Converse-----	Spring---	19	25.7	21.9	85.4	85.4	102
	M. Alice Converse-----	Fall-----	13	30.0	26.2	87.3		41
	M. Alice Converse-----	Winter---	6	28.0	23.5	83.5		20
Grammar-----	Jennie R. Burnham-----	Spring---	19	15.0	13.8	91.8	90.2	53
	Jennie R. Burnham-----	Fall-----	13	15.8	13.9	87.8		38
	Agnes W. Welch-----	Winter---	6	16.4	14.9	90.9		26

RUTLAND.

High School-----	{	William S. Dunn, Principal	Spring---	13	28.6	27.0	94.4	94.6	22
		George H. Boyden, Principal	Fall ----	12	28.4	27.2	95.9		39
		John V. Jewett, Principal	Winter --	15	28.9	27.0	9.35		56
		Louise Marcle, Assistant							
Center Primary----	{	Beulah Higgins-----	Spring---	12	45.3	41.6	91.8	86.8	53
		Marion Kelleher-----	Fall ----	12	35.3	31.0	87.2		41
		Marion Kelleher-----	Winter --	10	30.8	25.2	81.4		61
Intermediate -----	{	Martha E. Bemis-----	Spring---	12	40.3	38.1	94.5	90.2	26
		Martha E. Bemis-----	Fall ----	12	43.4	40.1	92.2		38
		Martha E. Bemis-----	Winter --	10	39.9	33.5	84.0		25
Grammar-----	{	Alice F. Dodge -----	Spring---	12	38.3	35.5	92.4	90.9	63
		Beulah Higgins-----	Fall ----	12	44.4	40.8	91.9		159
		Beulah Higgins-----	Winter --	10	41.9	37.1	88.5		163
North Rutland----	{	Georgiana K. Fiske---	Spring---	12	28.8	25.1	87.1	84.3	9
		Nellie K. Bishop-----	Fall ----	12	36.0	33.0	91.8		32
		Nellie K. Bishop-----	Winter --	10	34.0	25.2	73.9		22
West Rutland-----	{	Marion Kelleher-----	Spring---	12	32.1	29.6	92.2	88.6	52
		Joanna M. Kilmain-----	Fall ----	12	32.9	29.7	90.0		30
		Alice E. Buck-----	Winter --	10	25.8	21.5	83.6		38

OAKHAM.

Center Primary-----	Ethel Braman-----	Spring---	10	21.0	20.0	94.0	89.3	4
	Ethel Braman-----	Fall-----	11	23.0	22.0	92.0		1
	Ethel Braman-----	Winter---	11	19.0	16.0	82.0		3
Center Grammar--	Florence E. Bothwell---	Spring---	10	21.5	20.8	96.0	95.7	3
	Florence E. Bothwell---	Fall-----	11	22.0	20.8	95.0		3
	Florence E. Bothwell---	Winter---	11	22.8	21.9	96.0		6
Coldbrook-----	Ruth E. Butterfield---	Spring---	10	13.3	13.0	97.7	97.7	0
	Ruth E. Butterfield---	Fall-----	11	13.5	13.4	99.2		2
	Ruth E. Butterfield---	Winter---	11	16.4	15.8	96.1		2
South-----	Mrs. Effie T. Swindell---	Spring---	10	13.8	13.6	98.6	94.3	0
	Mrs. Effie T. Swindell---	Fall-----	11	18.7	17.5	93.9		5
	Mrs. Effie T. Swindell---	Winter---	11	18.0	16.2	90.3		15
West-----	Julia M. Connelly-----	Spring---	11	14.0	13.3	95.0	92.0	0
	Julia M. Connelly-----	Fall-----	12	17.0	15.9	93.0		0
	Julia M. Connelly-----	Winter---	10	12.6	11.2	88.0		5

in the various schools, together with the names of the teachers employed during the year.

Columns of figures are not particularly attractive, but let me ask some attention to these. The next to the last column shows the ratio of the actual attendance at the schools of those who belong to them. Probably five per cent. is sufficient allowance on the average, in usual conditions, for absence on account of sickness or other strictly unavoidable causes. Where the per cent. of attendance falls below ninety-five, there is likely to be a good deal of absence which has not been *necessary*, but only *convenient*.

The figures in the last column show the number of cases of tardiness occurring in the various schools in the several terms. If a pupil can get to the school at all, he can usually get there on time, if his parents care sufficiently about his doing so. Where the cases of tardiness are more than a half dozen or so each term, it probably indicates that many parents are too indifferent about forming habits of punctuality in their children.

In order that full value may be received for the expenditure of the town on its schools, there must be regular and prompt attendance of the pupils. All parents are asked to co-operate with the school authorities in their efforts to make our losses less.

“MEDICAL INSPECTION.”

Under the law of 1906, the second annual tests of sight and hearing have just been completed by the teachers, and the required reports made.

In June last, the teachers were asked for a special report regarding the results of the first tests made earlier in the year. A few quotations from these reports will indicate some of the beneficial effects secured:

“A. C. was found defective in eyesight, and was suffering from a severe throat trouble. After the report was sent home, she was taken to the Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston and treated.” “E. and A. have glasses now. They are not so slow about their work and show a stronger interest in it.” “R. C.’s parents have had his eyes treated by a physician.” “Five pupils in my school have been provided with glasses.”

Other quotations illustrate a serious difficulty in securing the full benefit of the tests:

"D. H. was found defective in eyesight, but his parents refused to do anything." "The parents were notified of the defects, and requested to consult a physician. So far as I know, nothing has been done." "The boys' parents were formally notified, and spoken to several times, with no result. The excuse was 'So many ways for the money to go.' " "One ear was found very poor, and the parents were notified, with no result. When I found the trouble was growing worse, I sent word to the parents, and obtained the promise that something should be done this summer."

The law requires that children suspected of contagious or infectious disease shall be referred to the school physician "for examination and diagnosis," and also provides that the school physician shall make "such further examination of teachers, janitors and school buildings as in his opinion the protection of the health of the pupils may require." For the actual work done by the school physicians, the reader is referred to the "Town Notes."

"The protection of the health of the pupils" is a matter of supreme interest. A thorough and complete inspection of the entire physical condition of every pupil at least once each year would be worth many times its cost, as has proved to be the case elsewhere. One of the most noted students of the subject, Dr. Frank Allport, writes as follows:

The public schools are a public trust, through whose portals all parents should confidently lead their offspring, feeling that when the care of these young lives is transferred to the supervision of the school authorities they are safe from harm, and will at least be handed back to them in as good condition as they were at first. Until the annual and proper physical examination of all school children shall have been accomplished, those having the interest of the coming generation at heart should press on.

HOME AND SCHOOL.

A multitude of forces determine the development of the growing human being. Of these forces, the earliest and most powerful are those connected with parentage and home environment. The process of consciously applying and directing the

forces which form character is *education*. A parent is the first and may be the strongest of educators. The school is a device which applies the principle of the division of labor for the sake of higher efficiency, in a portion of the work of education. But in the very nature of the educative process, there can be no lack of unity of aim and harmony of effort between home and school without disaster both to the efficiency of the process and to the value of the product.

These statements are trite and commonplace, but are all too little understood and acted upon. The teacher is called to be the helper of the parent in the noblest and most difficult task in the world, the education of the children. Yet many cases have come to my notice in which the parent seemed to regard the teacher not as a friend and helper, but as an enemy to be resisted and thwarted. I could relate instances of positively cruel treatment of teachers by apparently intelligent parents. On the other hand, many teachers very unwisely fail to use adequately their opportunities to establish and maintain right relations with parents.

The editor of a current popular magazine has this to say on the subject:

To the mother, Johnny is an individual, and sometimes the only individual in the world. To the teacher, he is Johnny Smith, set in the circle of the class, and to be considered no more than the other boys. Each really needs the point of view of the other to correct her own. The teacher needs to talk over Johnny occasionally with his mother, to know what ways and developments his single little personality has. The mother needs the larger view of Johnny as a unit in a group. Meanwhile, Johnny, from his own point of view, is quick to perceive any disunion between the powers that be, and to take advantage of it. Half the troubles that arise between mother and teacher might be replaced by peaceful understanding, if Johnny were only talked over by both of them amicably before he did anything, instead of afterward. It is the unusual parent who goes to see the new teacher as soon as Johnny enters the class. The ordinary mother, alas! waits till Johnny is punished or sent home, and the possible cordial understanding is shattered forever. Probably it will always be thus. But it is very unnecessary and very stupid.

We have a standing invitation to parents to visit the school at any time to observe its work; we have our special "patrons' days" and "visiting weeks"; twice a term we send the "School

Record" to parents; we have our school exhibits and holiday exercises. All these are useful. But what we need is personal and intimate acquaintance of parent and teacher, as partners and co-workers in training the children for efficient living and good citizenship. This relation may be established most quickly and fully through the parent's initiative.

I am glad to know several schools which illustrate very fully the desired state of things. In these schools parents and the teacher are *friends*. The children find at school a second mother, and respond to her strong and loving guidance with earnest effort. Friction being eliminated, the school work moves on with ease, and superior progress is made.

I appeal to all parents who may read these pages to become acquainted with your children's teacher; to commend what you may find good in her work; to make her feel that you are her friend and supporter in her difficult labors. This will make her a better teacher, and you will be rewarded by her increased value to yourself and your neighbors.

A STANDARD TEACHER.

We have standard milk, in which certain constituents must be present in a specified ratio. In many manufactures there are standard products, and "seconds," or defective goods. In general, a standard article is one which is fitted to its purpose and capable of performing its function satisfactorily.

The work of training and teaching the public's children in the public schools requires certain qualities in the teacher. One who possesses these qualifications is a "standard teacher." A complete description of such a teacher is a difficult undertaking, but we think that the following will meet with general approval among thoughtful citizens:

1. The standard teacher has a high degree of physical health and nervous vigor. Health is contagious as well as disease, and we wish to expose our children only to the former. An invalid or a semi-invalid, or a person with exhausted nerves, is unequal to school-room tasks.

2. High moral ideals and irreproachable moral conduct are indispensable in the teacher. The development of conscience

into a controlling force is the highest aim of education, and only one in whom conscience is both intelligent and regnant can fitly contribute to such development.

Refinement of manner and speech will naturally accompany proper moral ideals.

3. Capacity for mental work of a high order is requisite in the teacher. She must be able *to study*, and to inspire others to study. The subjects of instruction must be mastered as instruments of education. The teacher's scholarship must be constantly enlarged. Professional study must be continuous. Indisposition to do difficult mental work, or incapacity for such work, marks the teacher as *sub-standard*.

4. Preliminary training is demanded in the teacher of to-day. Sensible men require a trained smith to shoe their horses, and trained carpenters to build their houses. Blunders in these comparatively simple operations are too costly to be risked. Teaching and managing a school is a complex and difficult art, and its practice requires study and apprenticeship under careful guidance. A good normal school course, or its equivalent, is the minimum of preparation for the standard teacher.

5. A genuine *interest* in the work of teaching is felt by the standard teacher. This interest will extend to the subjects she teaches, leading to persistent study of them; to methods of teaching, leading to study of the work of others and to personal experiment; to school management, leading to effort to secure from it the highest results in training; and, more important than all, to the pupils as individuals, leading to personal sympathy and knowledge of individual needs.

After a normal school course and a short school room experience, if a teacher develops no such interest, it would seem that a mistake was made in the choice of a calling. If a teacher of long experience loses enthusiasm and sinks into lifeless routine, she has become *sub-standard*. Recovery of interest or retirement should follow.

6. The power and disposition *to grow* characterizes the standard teacher. Her work is ministering to growth, and the experience of growth is necessary for such ministry. In some occupations the limit of possible progress may be reached, but the teacher "moves along an infinite line of unrealized possibilities."

The means of professional growth are well known, and the standard teacher will never cease using them.

If this standard teacher is installed in a school-room with standard equipment, and standard children are sent to her from standard homes, we shall have a standard school.

THE SUPPLY OF TEACHERS.

Since my last report it has been necessary to engage twenty new teachers, half of them in Holden and half in the other towns. It becomes more difficult each year to secure teachers who approximate the requirements of the work. There are now so many attractive openings in other careers for capable young women, that teaching gets a smaller share of these than formerly. The normal schools cannot secure enough students of the requisite quality to supply the demand for their graduates. This shortage of competent teachers and of material that may be developed into competency exists alike in city and country, and in other states as well as in Massachusetts. As enough teachers entirely "up to standard" do not seem to exist, school authorities engage the best they can find. As the salaries paid in our field are near the minimum paid anywhere, it is not surprising that some of the teachers engaged are "sub-standard." In several cases new teachers have proved more efficient than we had reason to expect, and there have been few glaring failures.

We have fortunately been able to engage or retain a number of good teachers who, but for the fact that they live at their own homes, would accept better salaries elsewhere.

THE COURSE OF STUDY.

Our elementary course was put in print in 1905, after having been worked out during several previous years, and being in the hands of teachers in mimeographed sheets or other form. The course includes only the subjects prescribed by law, with an attempt to provide for singing and simple hand training. We have no "fads," unless it be arithmetic, which receives a large part of the best time, the morning hours, of every day. A "fad," by the way, is "a good thing over-emphasized."

The subjects of the course are treated in five groups, in accordance with a plan published by the Board of Education. A copy of the pamphlet may be obtained on request.

The following quotation from Prof. John Dewey expresses a truth which is kept constantly before the teachers:

The real course of study must come to the child from the teacher. What gets to the child is dependent upon what is in the mind and consciousness of the teacher, and upon the way it is in his mind. It is through the teacher that the value even of what is contained in the text-book is brought home to the child; just in the degree in which the teacher's understanding of the material of the lessons is vital, adequate, and comprehensive, will that material come to the child in the same form; in the degree in which the teacher's understanding is mechanical, superficial and restricted, the child's appreciation will be correspondingly limited and perverted.

And the following, which I wrote in 1904, will remain true while schools exist:

The course of study, while highly important, is not the vital matter. The quality of the teaching as it goes on day by day is the chief concern. How to get the teaching done in such a manner that well-organized knowledge shall become the permanent possession of the pupil; that in the process of acquiring knowledge the pupil shall be developing the love and power of acquirement; that by repeated applications of his knowledge, he shall become skillful in these applications,—this is the complex and ever-present problem of school supervision.

HOME INDUSTRY AND THE SCHOOL.

From time immemorial, wise parents have taught their children the common arts of the farm and the household, and this teaching is a valuable part of the child's education. The old-fashioned country school, with its short terms and crude methods, is often credited with results in character-making which were rather the product of the training in practical industry afforded by the old-fashioned country home. An attempt is now being made to correlate the activities of the home with those of the school, with a view to increasing the value of both.

An effort was made in our schools last year to encourage home gardening by children. The Farmers' Club and several generous individuals of Holden provided a moderate sum to be

given in prizes for creditable products in that town. A garden exhibit was held in September, to which eighty children contributed. The long drought of the season had been unfavorable to success, but the young gardeners brought a large amount of produce, some of it fine, which was inspected by many interested visitors. In Rutland, a smaller number of children exhibited the fruit of their labors on a special table in connection with a fair managed by their elders. In the other towns, no public exhibit was held, though considerable gardening was done by children.

An excellent beginning in this line of work was made. The co-operation of parents is gratefully acknowledged. It is proposed to continue the effort the coming season, and, with similar co-operation, larger results are expected.

In May or June of each year, it has been our custom in each school to arrange for easy inspection samples of the written papers, drawings, and other handiwork, that patrons might see the quality of work produced. It is proposed the present year to combine these various exhibits into a general one for each town, and to hold it in a central location. To encourage home industry of kinds other than gardening, we have invited children to exhibit with their school work articles made at home, such as specimens of needle-work and cooking by the girls, and of woodwork or other articles by boys. Any object suitable for exhibit, if it is made entirely by the child, will be welcomed. The success of the plan is already assured by the interest taken in it by the children. Parental co-operation in this plan is assumed.

In connection with this matter, I call attention to the fact that the industrial phase of education is now the center of discussion the country over. In Massachusetts the subject is being considered by a State commission. Any citizen interested in the future development of the school system of the Commonwealth should read the reports of the Commission on Industrial Education, which may be obtained by addressing the secretary, 15 Ashburton Place, Boston.

HOW PROGRESS IS MADE.

On a certain electric railroad the cars were frequently late, and patrons were continually grumbling. The road was bought by a connecting company. Additional power was supplied to the wires of the new purchase, and the car crews were informed that they must make their trips on schedule time. There was an immediate change. A passenger not at the starting point at the appointed minute is now liable to be left.

If a similar method of reforming the faults of school systems could be successfully applied, it would be a great blessing. But no close approximation to this effective plan is yet in operation. Human souls, not physical forces, are the elements of the school problem. Vitalizing a soul is a greater task than electrifying a wire. The personality of the man at the controller is a small factor in running a car. But in the school, qualities of mind and heart constitute the vital factors. The pupil must think and feel with the teacher, or her plans are of little effect. The teacher must think and feel with the superintendent in his plans and purposes, not under orders, but from inner impulse. The response of the teacher to supervisory effort is the determining element in securing results from such effort.

I wish to illustrate the sort of response which makes for progress and which secures precious returns from the investment in the school enterprise.

Economy in School Work.—The superintendent has tried to get teachers to apply the idea everywhere in practice in successful business and manufacture, namely, the idea of *scrutinizing* processes and methods with a view to eliminating waste, increasing product, and decreasing cost. In reply to questions on the matter, teachers write as follows:

Miss A. I have tried to use every moment of school time to the very best advantage: (1) by carefully planning each day's work, and carrying out that plan fully; (2) by making the study hour a time for study, and study only; (3) by trying to develop alertness of mind; (4) by trying to have pupils understand that it is for their good, and thus to arouse their interest so that they do not wish to be lazy or inattentive. A gain has been made in the amount of neat and accurate work performed in a

given time, in habits of study, thought, and expression, and in the right use of materials.

Miss B. I have endeavored this year to have pupils realize the importance of doing their own work well. I have tried to make them enjoy the satisfaction always found in thorough work. I have led them to see, in part at least, that I expect *their* best, as I give them *my* best.

Miss C. More emphasis has been laid on the preparation of definitely assigned lessons by each member of the class, thus saving time. Time has been used more economically by having the pupils do more talking and the teacher less.

Miss D. In the preparation of the lessons, I have tried to get pupils to know before the recitation what they are going to say, and then to say it in a clear and decided way.

Individual Teaching.—Our aim is to *teach every child*, by causing him to do certain work. The class exercise alone will not reach every child. For some there will always be need of individual teaching, as “the supplement and corrective of class teaching.” Regarding this, teachers write:

Miss E. The individual period is of great benefit both to myself and the children. It brings me much closer to them, and it teaches me the mental capacity of each one much better than class work could. One girl in my room is extremely bashful or self-conscious. I have been helping her at the individual period, and she is much improved and does not appear so ill at ease when reciting.

Miss F. Especially in my large sixth grade, I can see results of my individual work in better recitations, a desire on the part of pupils to work out hard problems, and more accuracy in work.

Miss G. With children absent, backward, or mentally deficient, I have used the individual plan, and am convinced it is of great value, and intend to apply it more thoroughly in future.

Miss H. The most encouraging result of individual work is with a lazy boy, whose father and mother have both noticed his improvement with pleasure equalling mine. They say, “We are pleased with R.’s work; he studies at home now, he understands his work and is interested. We were beginning to feel discouraged about him.”

Interest.—Conditions favorable to interest in school work and how to secure them, has been a leading topic for study this year. Asked about their personal study of the subject and its results, teachers say:

Miss I. I am forcibly convinced that a fresh knowledge and a thorough preparation of the next day's lesson on the part of the teacher are an actual necessity in arousing a lasting interest in the class.

Miss J. I have seen over and over again that interest begets interest. I have tried to make my pupils see that what they were studying was valuable, and that I liked it, and wanted them to like it.

Miss K. The study of "The Greatest Word in Education" has been an inspiration to me. It has taught me to observe my children more closely, and to make their interests my interests.

Definite Gains in School Subjects.—I have urged upon teachers the necessity of making their efforts for improvement definite and clear, by selecting one subject at a time for special attention. Here are some of the gains reported:

Miss L. I think the reading has improved since we began to read to someone, and the children delight in being asked to take charge of their class.

Miss M. I have tried to improve the spelling in my room this year. In order to secure better results, I was careful about the preparation of the lesson, and had it written correctly, and studied with my help. My efforts have been successful in many cases.

Miss N. The most improvement is shown in our history classes this year. Children are able to study and recite in a far more intelligible way than last year.

Miss O. We have had five-minute drills in arithmetic, each child working on the same problems, and trying to perform the work neatly and accurately, and finish before the others. Fingers and brains have come to work more quickly and accurately.

Miss P. Results in geography are better than in previous years, due in part to the "study-recitation" with the lowest grades, and to a readiness of those older to seek information for themselves beyond the textbook.

I might go on through the alphabet, making extracts from the papers before me. Besides the topics already mentioned, these papers deal with the teachers' efforts in *moral training*, and specially with the means used for *the development of patriotic feeling*. Space forbids further quotation. I have illustrated how the results of the school enterprise are actually produced. It is by means of the intelligent, vigorous effort of the individual teacher in her own particular field. The superintendent's suggestions, the instruction of the normal school

and teachers' institute, the good things in professional periodicals and books, all must be translated into concrete practice by the teacher's personal effort, in order to become fruitful. The total of the gains made through the study and earnest effort of Miss A., Miss B., Mr. X., and Mr. Y., and all the rest of the teaching force, measures the progress of the year.

We have among our teachers all degrees of experience, from the teacher who, with no previous training, began a month ago in a district school, to the veteran of forty years in the school-room. Uniformity in results cannot be expected. But it is expected of every teacher worthy of the name that he or she shall "move steadily and unflinching along the infinite line of unrealized possibilities."

TOWN NOTES.

Holden.—A loss in the number of pupils enrolled was reported last year, and a further loss has occurred this year. The closing of the mills at Jefferson makes another decrease probable.

The Springdale district received a new family with several children, and the school there was reopened in the spring term. Miss M. Alice Morong, of Gloucester, was engaged as teacher, and has remained through the year.

Nine other new teachers have been engaged since my last report, one school suffering two changes. The statistical table shows the names of those who have gone and of those who have come.

At Jefferson, the failure of a part of the heating plant made it necessary to close two of the schools three weeks before the end of the winter term. This time will be made up by opening those schools March 9, or three weeks before the regular time of opening the spring term.

The appearance of a few mild cases of scarlet fever caused the closing of the South and the Chaffin schools one week before the regular close of the winter term. Unless advised otherwise by the board of health, these schools will open one week before the regular opening of the spring term, or on March 23.

The ninth grade pupils, now numbering seventeen, are still gathered at the High School for instruction. The cost of car-

fare for each day's attendance is allowed to pupils of this grade who live outside the Center district.

Including the ninth grade, the number of pupils now belonging at the High School is fifty-nine. Six were graduated in June last: Marjorie Ayers, Mae Fitman, Charlotte Mary Holden, Ida Frances Lobdell, John Thomas Daley and John Edward King. Misses Ayers and Fitman and Mr. Daley are at their homes, Miss Lobdell is attending a business school, Mr. King is at a dental school, and Miss Holden is preparing for service as a trained nurse. Eight pupils are candidates for the diploma of the school in June next.

The teachers at the High School are the same as for several years, and are serving with growing efficiency.

The school physicians report as follows regarding their work:

The teachers of the six schools in my district have referred to me nineteen cases. In one school two cases of scabies were isolated, and the books and papers used by the children fumigated or destroyed. All other cases in the school at all suspicious were examined by me.

In connection with the recent appearance of scarlet fever in town, I examined six cases more or less suspicious, and gave them all a clean bill of health. The remaining cases examined were for colds, tonsillitis, adenoids, and one or two other mild diseases.

F. F. CARR, M.D.

I have made four visits to the North Woods school and two to the Jefferson schools. Itch and head-lice were the principal afflictions for which I have been called. Willing co-operation by the parents has brought about prompt relief except in one room, where re-contamination of pupils' scalps has repeatedly occurred, due, it seems, to lack of such co-operation by one family.

FRANK H. WASHBURN, M.D.

Rutland.—The number of pupils enrolled since Sept. 1 and the average attendance for the year show a small decrease as compared with last year. The closing of the mills at West Rutland accounts for the loss.

The teacher of the Center grammar school and of the North Rutland school resigned in June. Miss Beulah Higgins was transferred from the primary to the grammar room at the Center, and Miss Marion Kelliher was transferred to the Center primary from West Rutland. Miss Nellie K. Bishop was engaged for the North Rutland school, and Miss Joanna Kil-

main for the West Rutland school, both being graduates of the Framingham Normal School. Miss Kilmain accepted another position at Christmas time, and Miss Alice E. Buck was secured for the place.

Mr. W. S. Dunn accepted a re-election as principal of the High School for his third year, at an increased salary, but resigned early in the year to accept a much better salary elsewhere. Mr. George S. Boyden, of Worcester, a graduate of Harvard College, with two years' experience, was secured for the position, and served very acceptably for three months, when a flattering offer from Westport, Conn., took him away. Mr. John V. Jewett, of Worcester, a graduate of Dartmouth College, was engaged, and at the time of writing is still with us and doing good work.

The number of pupils in the High School is twenty-nine, the same as last year. Six were graduated in June last: James Edward O'Connor, Henry Robert Smith, Charlotte Helena Drury, Helen Augusta Hadley, Elsie Fuller, and Winnie Gertrude Rich.

Mr. Smith is at the school this year completing his preparation for the Worcester Institute of Technology. At least two others of the class expect to enter a higher institution later.

Two young ladies are candidates for graduation in June next.

The school physician's report is not at hand. He has been called on for service several times during the year.

Paxton.—The membership of the schools increased over last year, but the per cent. of attendance is much lower. I shall report to the committee later what I can ascertain as to the responsibility for the irregular attendance.

Miss Sarah T. Britton, teacher of the primary room, resigned to accept a better position soon after the opening of the fall term. Miss Ethel G. Tolman, her successor, served for less than three months. After a month, during which the school was closed two weeks, and a substitute served two weeks, Miss Anna Finnerty of Clinton, a graduate of Fitchburg Normal School, was secured and is now in charge. Miss Jennie R. Burnham, the principal for five years, was given leave of ab-

sence for the winter, and Miss Agnes W. Welche was secured as a substitute. Miss Burnham will return March 30.

The members of the ninth grade of last year entered a Worcester High School in the fall with creditable standing. The present ninth grade numbers seven.

All the schools were closed one week before the regular Christmas vacation on account of the appearance of a case of diphtheria. Fortunately, the disease spread no further. The town has no school physician.

Oakham.—As usual, Oakham surpasses all the other towns in regularity of attendance. This seems to be mainly due to the greater interest in the matter by both pupils and parents. The Coldbrook school is again first in the Union in per cent of attendance.

Mrs. Effie T. Swindell succeeded Mrs. Minnie G. Woodis at the South school in the spring term, and continues the good work previously done there by Mrs. Woodis. No other changes in teachers occurred.

Mr. Stephen Rich was employed during the fall term as supervisor of music. The work is now being continued by the teachers without special supervision.

The town has a school physician, but his office is five miles away. Fortunately, there has been no demand for his services.

The citizen who is liberal in support of the school enterprise, the capable and efficient school official, and the army of earnest teachers who have the immediate care of our children, are doing a service to the country as patriotic as any ever performed on warship or battlefield. Nothing is more vital to the welfare of the nation than the education of its citizens. The foregoing pages have told you some of the aims and accomplishments in our little part of the mighty task.

My thanks are due to my colleagues in the schools for their loyal co-operation, and to the members of the School Committees for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES.

Holden, Mass., March 7, 1908.

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TOWN OFFICERS

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Term expires 1910

SELECTMEN

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1911

J. WARREN MOULTON

Term expires 1910

THOMAS P. O'HERRON

Term expires 1909

ASSESSORS

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1911

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1910

CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

Term expires 1909

OVERSEERS OF POOR

DAVID F. SMITH

Term expires 1911

JOHN W. MUNROE

Term expires 1910

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1909

TREASURER, EDWIN H. CROSBY

COLLECTOR, JOHN W. MUNROE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

J. WARREN MOULTON

Term expires 1909

GEORGE H. MILES

Term expires 1910

CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

Term expires 1911

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1911

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1910

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1909

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM E. CHAMBERLAIN

Term expires 1910

DAVID P. BUTLER

Term expires 1911

WALTER A. WHEELER

Term expires 1909

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1910

MRS. MARY E. CONVERSE

Term expires 1911

MRS. SARA B. DRURY

Term expires 1909

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR, FRANK D. FORBUSH

AUDITOR

JAMES R. PUTNAM, Resigned

JOHN V. JEWETT, Appointed

TREE WARDEN, FRANK D. FORBUSH

CONSTABLES

LOUIS M. HANFF

J. WARREN MOULTON

DENNIS A. SMITH

*PETER S. O'CONNOR

GEORGE E. SHARP

*Did not qualify

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

JOSEPH E. WARE

MILES E. GRIFFIN

ARTHUR E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

GEORGE M. TAYLOR

LEWIS R. BIGELOW

PATRICK FITZPATRICK

POUND KEEPER

PETER S. O'CONNOR

CATTLE INSPECTOR

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

MEAT AND PROVISION INSPECTOR

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

LOUIS M. HANFF

FENCE VIEWERS

EMORY LAWRENCE

WESTON R. UPHAM

MATTHEW DELEHANTY

SOLDIERS BURIAL AGENT

ROLAND C. PRESCOTT

DOG OFFICER

DENNIS A. SMITH

SPECIAL POLICE

GEORGE H. MILES

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

C. ELMER CARROLL

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

HENRY CONVERSE

WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To EITHER of the Constables of the Town of Rutland,
in the County of Worcester.

Greeting:

Worcester, ss.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, in said Rutland, on the twenty-ninth day of March inst. at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the annual reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for one Selectman for three years, for one Assessor for three years, for one overseer of Poor for three years, for a Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for one Water Commissioner for three years, for one School Committee for three years, for one member of Board of Health for three years, for one

Library Trustee for three years, for a Highway Surveyor for one year, for an Auditor for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, for five Constables for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may close at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for support of poor, for salaries of town officers, for use on Memorial Day, for contingent expenses for paying debts and interest, for employment of school physician, for use of public library.

ART. 8 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the water department on account of hydrant service.

ART. 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for maintainance of street lights, or act thereon.

ART. 10 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay the corporate surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for repairs on the public building.

ART. 12 To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes and Treasurer.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for use of teams for fires and forest fires.

ART. 14 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money for beautifying the common.

ART. 15 To see if the town will vote to reimburse the fire company for hose purchased.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow, under the direction of the Selectmen, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, for the purpose of refunding a portion of the temporary loan.

ART. 17 To see if the town will vote to sell any pine trees on West Rutland school-house lot.

ART. 18 To see what disposition the town will make of the old water bills.

ART. 19 To see if the town will vote to provide additional school-room for the use of the public schools.

ART. 20 To see if the town will vote to accept an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and eight, entitled "An Act to provide for the protection of forest or sprout lands from fire."

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of the town. One at each post-office, one at store at North Rutland and one at the public building in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and nine.

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,	
THOMAS P. O'HERRON,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1908:

BIRTHS

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE
Ruth Evelyn	John J. and May L. (Valley) Sullivan	Nov. 2, 1905
Reginald Charles	Peter and May G. (Parker) Dame	Dec. 7, 1906
		1908
Gladys Muriel	Merrill and Edith E. (Dudley) Eccleston	Jan. 7
Stillborn Female	—————	Jan. 20
Mildred Althea	Warren P. and Margaret M. Garven	Feb. 14
Myrtle Alice	Charles E. and Mary A. (Demond) Viner	March 18
Florence Augusta	Arthur K. and Florence L. (Locke) Goodwin	March 26
Helen	Henry and Florence M. (Parker) Hindon	April 7
Bertha Louise	Clarence T. and Sarah F. (Bemis) Oliver	April 14
Dora Marguerite	Edward W. and Ellen (Bailey) Aldrich	May 7
Bernard Chamberlain	Daniel M. and Bessie H. (Kinear) Valley	June 11
John Frances	Elmer and Ella (Haire) Willard	June 15
*Andrew Joseph	Andrew and Carrie (Leopold) Shultz	June 29
John	Daniel and Bridie (Riley) McNamara	July 16
Walter Aloysius	Patrick A. and Margaret (Murphy) Scott	Aug. 22
Rosa	William and Nellie (Pragoda) Moreski	Aug. 17
Charles Milford	John C. and Harriet (Weed) Fisk	Oct. 5
Gertrude May	John V. and Frances I. (Johnston) Jewett	Oct. 5
Elsie May	Fred A. and Mary E. (Riley) Laton	Nov. 27
Phillip Wesley	Matthew F. and Bridget N. (Maloney) Delehanty	Dec. 17
Mercie Helen	A. Clifford and Mercie E. (Upham) Wheeler	Dec. 24
Robert Gordon	John and Mary L. (Foss) Dickson	Dec. 31

*Born at Bridgeport, Conn.

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
1908			
February 3	Victor R. Norstrom Ruth E. Nordquist	Paxton	Rutland Rutland
May 20	John J. Tyler Nora A. O'Neil	Holden	Rutland Rutland
June 2	Joseph Kunin Annie Alkin	Rutland	Worcester Ansonia, Conn.
June 3	William W. Wilson Lillian J. Goldthwaite	Clinton	Rutland Lancaster
June 6	Edward C. Damon Ida McDonald	Rutland	Westminster Rutland
June 23	William F. Moore Carrie F. Rice	Boylston	Rutland Worcester
August 11	Michael McGann Mary E. Carlson	Holden	Rutland Rutland
August 20	Ciro Fiusco Mary A. Dorney	Holden	Rutland Rutland
September 1	Chester E. Williams Susie E. Johnson	Worcester	Rutland Worcester
October 1	Abram J. Steele, Jr. Annie M. Henderson	Pawtucket, R. I.	Worcester Rutland
October 24	William R. Edson Mary D. Winnie	Jersey City, N. J.	Rutland Brooklyn, N. Y.
November 4	David P. Butler Margaret H. McLeod	Bridgewater	Rutland Bridgewater
November 18	Germara Martuscelli Eldora E. (Draper) Somes	Manchester, N. H.	Rutland Rutland
November 25	John M. Shea Anna Sullivan	Boston	Rutland Boston
November 25	Harry A. Houck Bessie K. Chisholm	Holden	Worcester Rutland

DEATHS

DATE		NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
1908				y.	m.	d.	
January	3	Margaret E. Baxter	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	9	—	New Bedford
January	10	John McGann	LaGripp and Bronchitis	73	7	26	Rutland
January	11	Lylian Thain	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	37	9	13	Everett
January	20	Stillborn Male					Rutland
January	21	Harry Arvadon	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	26	—	—	Boston
January	26	Bertha I. Lawless	Cancer	34	1	11	Rutland
†January	27	John M. McDonald	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	8	29	Rutland
January	29	Elna Gray	Acute Croupus Laryngitis	3	3	14	Holyoke
February	4	Edna L. Armstrong	Pul. and Intestinal Tub.	28	9	16	Waltham
February	16	Dominic D. Alexander	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	1	—	Marlboro
February	19	Catharine Harrahy	Heart Disease	44	—	—	Rutland
February	20	Marie A. Desilets	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	8	9	Northampton
February	25	Arthur F. Good	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	11	3	Boston
March	11	Hattie M. Martin	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	39	7	28	Somerville
March	13	Emily F. Hood	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	40	11	28	Somerville
March	21	Joseph D. Mahoney	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	—	—	Cambridge
March	21	Kathrine L. Cook	Pul. and Intestinal Tub.	29	10	—	Bath, Me.
March	27	Anton M. Stregonvic	Accidental Drowning	22	—	—	Worcester
March	29	Kathleen J. Crane	Intestinal and Pul. Tub.	29	6	14	Rutland
April	6	Florence House	Intestinal Tuberculosis	25	—	—	New Britain, Conn.

DATE		NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
1908				y.	m.	d.	
April	7	Frank C. Hunt	Pul. and Laryngeal Tub.	38	—	—	Lynn
April	17	Thomas O'Malley	General Tuberculosis	26	—	—	Clinton
April	19	Christine E. Franchi	Haemoptysis	25	—	—	Somerville
May	2	Frances H. Farr	Chronic Heart and Liver trouble	53	—	—	Walpole, N. H.
May	2	Jessie C. Montague	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	9	5	Rutland
May	5	Mark L. Millard	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	1	18	Attleboro
May	9	Franklin L. Nash	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	26	—	—	Portland, Maine
May	12	Albert W. Handy	Acute intestinal obstruction	14	3	22	Rutland
May	13	Henry M. Killikelly	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	24	1	3	Pittsburg, Pa.
May	15	Frank R. Carr	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	—	—	Melrose
May	25	Annie Corbo	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	—	—	Boston
May	26	John H. Locke	Cirrhosis of the Liver	28	2	18	Rutland
June	2	Eleanor Burton	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	52	—	—	Salem
June	4	Samuel T. Fraine	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	36	—	—	Boston
June	12	Thomas B. Dobson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	—	—	Taunton
June	16	Dora Finkle	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	—	—	Chelsea
June	20	Michael O'Laughlin	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	58	—	—	Winchester
June	21	John Connally	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	—	—	Boston
June	23	Sadie Kerr	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	—	—	Lynn
June	29	John F. Desmond	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	3	21	Boston
July	2	Martha J. Hayes	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	4	15	Worcester

DATE 1908		NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
				y.	m.	d.	
July	14	Henry E. Sheriden	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	1	—	Boston
July	14	Elizabeth A. Thayer	Disease of Liver and Spleen	80	11	1	Rutland
July	31	Eliza McMahan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	38	—	—	Broad Brook, Conn.
August	9	Michael Muerino	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	—	—	Worcester
August	12	Elizabeth Fitzpatrick	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	—	—	Somerville
August	20	T. Frank Madden	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	36	—	21	Wakefield
August	27	Isabella C. Stone	Chronic Hypertrophy of Heart	83	2	25	Rutland
Septemb'r	6	Jerry Murphy	Accidental Drowning	47	—	—	Gardner
Septemb'r	10	Catherine F. Lomasney	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	36	11	5	Roslindale
Septemb'r	17	John C. Davis	Valvular Disease of Heart	78	11	—	Rutland
Septemb'r	17	Harry F. Mack	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	—	—	Boston
Septemb'r	25	Joseph Ayala	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	—	—	Maynard
Septemb'r	30	Mary McGillicudy	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	—	—	Boston
Septemb'r	30	John E. Skehill	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	26	7	4	Watertown
October	5	William Lynch	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	37	5	22	Boston
October	12	Henry H. Fifield	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	55	—	—	Norwood
October	17	Benjamin Cox	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	—	—	Boston
October	20	Helen E. Wheeler	Intestinal Obstruction	74	1	18	Rutland
October	27	Patrick Walsh	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	46	—	—	Boston
October	28	*Stephen P. Allen	Proncho Pneumonia	75	—	—	Rutland
October	30	*Frank E. Ryerson	General Paralysis	57	—	—	Rutland

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1908						
November 16	Richard O. Osler		32	—	—	Boston
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis					
November 21	Harry C. Miller		30	10	21	Winchester
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis					
November 28	*Hugh Hammond		81	—	—	Rutland
	Heart Disease					
December 1	Addison Childs		62	8	8	Rutland
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis					

*Died at Worcester

†Died at Boston

DOGS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR 1908:

Cash received for 164 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	\$208 00
Cash received for 14 Female Dogs @ \$5.00	70,00
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	\$278 00
Less 118 fees @ 20¢	23 60
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Paid County Treasurer	\$254 40

THESE RESIDENT HUNTERS' CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION
HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1909

H. Edward Wheeler	Lyman A. Baker
William E. Gilmore	Gay Hills
Matthew J. Cullen	Edmund W. Ogden
David F. Putnam	George H. Rice
John F. Connors	William H. Hammond
	William J. Hunt

Respectfully submitted.

Rutland, March 1, 1909

LOUIS M. HANFF,
Town Clerk

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1909

The Selectmen herewith submit their report for the year ending March 1, 1909. We have drawn 492 orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$27,445.40, as follows:

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$1000 00	.
Received from State one half compensation		
Inspectors of Animals	43 75	
Total amount available		\$1043 75

TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff	\$40 25	\$40 25
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SELECTMEN

William C. Temple	\$85 00	
J. Warren Moulton	80 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	77 00	
		\$242 00

ASSESSORS

Dennis A. Smith	\$65 00	
Joseph E. Ware	65 00	
Charles J. Campbell	65 00	
		\$195 00

OVERSEERS OF POOR

David F. Smith	\$15 00	
John W. Munroe	8 00	
Joseph E. Ware	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$28 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS

J. Warren Moulton	\$10 00	
George H. Miles	10 00	
Charles J. Campbell	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 00

COLLECTOR

C. W. Dodge, taxes and water rents	\$28 83	
John W. Munroe, taxes	218 76	
“ “ water rents	39 65	
	<hr/>	\$287 24

TREASURER

Edwin H. Crosby	\$100 00	\$100 00
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AUDITOR

Edwin H. Crosby, 1908	\$5 00	\$5 00
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REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff	\$12 00	
William C. Temple	8 00	
J. Warren Moulton	8 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$36 00

ELECTION OFFICERS

Matthew Delchanty	\$4 00	
Herman D. Bray	4 00	
Joseph M. Moulton	4 00	
John C. Boyle	4 00	
George S. Putnam	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$18 00

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

George S. Putnam	\$87 50	\$87 50
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CONSTABLES

Louis M. Hanff	\$6 50	
Dennis A. Smith	8 00	
J. Warren Moulton	6 00	
		\$20 50
Amount expended for town officers salaries		\$1089 49
Overdrawn		\$45 74

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$4000 00	
Receipts from all other sources	2073 87	
Total		\$6073 87
Orders drawn	\$6260 85	
Overdrawn		\$186 98

(See report of School Committee)

POOR

Appropriation	\$400 00	
Received from other sources	58 22	
Total		\$458 22
Orders drawn		494 82
Overdrawn		\$36 60

(See report of Overseers of Poor)

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$2000 00	
Orders drawn	1991 96	
Balance unexpended		\$8 04

(See report of Highway Surveyor)

MILITARY AID

Appropriation	\$ 50 00	
Received from State for State aid	416 00	
		\$466 00
Orders drawn		434 00
Balance unexpended		\$32 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$25 00	
Order drawn		\$25 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation, (dog fund and income)	\$239 50	
Balance from last year	27 61	
		\$267 11
Orders drawn		193 83
Balance unexpended		\$73 28

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$110 00
Paid Best Light Co., fixtures	\$11 76	
Standard Oil Co., gasolene	8 75	
John Dickson, labor	2 50	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	1 24	
Total orders drawn		\$24 25
Balance unexpended		\$75 75

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCOUNT

Paid Frank S. Pratt, coal	\$410 86	
George H. Miles, janitor	460 00	
George H. Miles, supplies	2 70	
James Hammond, wood	5 50	
H. W. Calkins, wood and freight	54 31	
L. M. Hanff, coal	55 90	
Rutland Grocery Co., supplies	21 29	
Mason Brush Works, brushes	9 00	
B. & M R. R., freight	71 65	
Dennis O'Herron, wood	21 00	
Elwood Adams, supplies	3 45	
Fuller & Warren Co., repairs	12 10	
American Express	60	
Miles Holden, supplies	1 98	
		\$1130 34
Of the foregoing account two-thirds or	\$753 56	
is charged in the school account and one-		
third or	376 78	
is charged to the Public Building		

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation	\$25 00	
Balance unexpended	25 00	\$25 00

DEBTS AND INTEREST

Appropriation	\$6000 00	
Paid State of Massachusetts, notes for water loan	1500 00	
City Trust Co., water loan	500 00	
Jose Parker & Co., water loan	300 00	
National Shawmut Bank, water loan	500 00	
State of Massachusetts, refund loan	500 00	
State of Massachusetts, building loan	300 00	
Peoples Savings Bank, ten year loan	1000 00	
		\$4600 00
Peoples Savings Bank, temporary loan	4400 00	
Of this amount	3800 00	
has been paid by notes, leaving	\$600 00	600 00
as the amount of actual reduction of temporary loan		
Total of orders drawn from debts		\$5200 00

INTEREST

Paid Peoples Savings Bank	\$1304 78	
State of Massachusetts	1223 42	
Hersom Bros.,	43 75	
Jose Parker & Co.,	12 00	
Mabel E. Heald	10 80	
National Shawmut Bank	8 75	
City Trust Co.,	8 75	
Total		\$2612 25
Total of orders drawn for debts and interest		7812 25
From this amount should be deducted the temporary loan paid of	\$600 00	
The Water Department has credited itself with paying the interest on the water loan of	723 12	
The town has received as interest on taxes	288 66	
		\$1611 78
Which leaves as the amount overdrawn		\$200 47

SNOW AND INCIDENTALS

Appropriation		\$1500 00
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SNOW

Paid Newton I. Sargent, 1907	\$1 60	\$1 60
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INCIDENTALS

Louis M. Hanff, insurance, public buildings	\$151 61
C. F. Lawrence, ballots	17 50
Sanford-Putnam Co., record book and notices	5 90
E. H. Tripp, printing town reports	56 50
E. H. Tripp, printing valuation reports	60 25
Louis M. Hanff, court fees	78 37
J. W. Moulton, transportation State Agent	5 00
Hobbs & Warren Co., Assessors supplies	43
Thayer & Cobb, counsel fees	8 00
R. C. Prescott, death returns and burials	30 75
P. B. Murphy, dog blanks	2 50
Worcester Co. Abstract Co., Assessors abstracts	11 25
E. H. Tripp	16 00
W. T. Knowlton, birth returns	25
W. & L. E. Gurley, sealers working set and supplies	48 07
Davis & Cook, Treasurer's and Collector's bond	32 00
H. W. Brownell, Assessors supplies	25
E. H. Tripp, sundry printing	24 50
State of Mass., Register for voters	1 25
T. F. Callahan, death return	25
L. Q. Spaulding, care of clock, 1907 and 1908	40 00
W. E. Weeks, paper fastener	1 50
Edwin H. Crosby, postage and expense securing loan	8 26
Louis M. Hanff, vital statistics	42 50
Louis M. Hanff, agent Board of Health, permits and postage	7 25
Louis M. Hanff, express and postage as town clerk	7 65
Louis M. Hanff, administering oath to town officers	4 00
George H. Miles, care of public grounds	20 00
John W. Munroe, stationery, postage, cash book, and tax bills	24 15

 \$695 94

The following bills were paid out of the appropriation of \$200 from the incidental money for repairs on the Public Building.

Moulton Bros., labor and material	\$150 00	
E. G. Higgins Co., curtains	25 18	
Adams & Powers, lumber	16 30	
George E. Smith, labor	4 05	
L. M. Hanff, material	3 16	
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		\$198 69

The following were paid out of the appropriation of \$100 for teams to fires.

Matthew Delehanty, team	\$ 2 00	
Peter S. O'Conner, teams	18 00	
Town of Hnbbardston. fire at North Rutland	30 25	
John J. Sullivan, " " "	5 60	
Frank Strong, " " "	2 00	
Charles H. Carey " " "	2 20	
George Taylor, " " "	2 40	
Henry M. Harris, " " "	2 80	
J. Edwin Valley, " " "	2 40	
Joseph Taylor, " " "	5 60	
Arthur Coddington, " " "	2 45	
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		\$75 70
Total incidentals		970 33
Snow bills		1 60
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Total snow and incidentals		\$971 93
Balance unexpended		528 07

By vote of the town all unexpended balances, except that for Library, together with the income from rentals of the Town Halls, are turned into the incidental account, as follows:

Rentals of hall	\$195 50	
Highway, unexpended	8 04	
Military and State aid, unexpended	32 00	
Street lights, unexpended	75 75	
School Physician	25 00	
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		\$336 29
Which added to the unexpended balance of	528 07	
Gives as the amt. unexpended of incidental appropriation	\$864 36	
To this should be added the tax overlayings raised	86 12	
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		\$950 48
Net overdraft above all appropriations	74 94	
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		\$1025 42

OVERDRAWN APPROPRIATIONS

Town officers	\$45 74
Schools	186 98
Poor	36 60
Debts and interest	200 47
Maintenance of public building, not provided for	376 78
Tax abatements for 1908	178 85

\$1025 42

RECAPITULATION

Town Officers	\$1089 49
Schools, including two-thirds public building account	6260 85
Poor	494 82
Highways	1991 96
State and Military aid	434 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Water Department	2015 24
Street Lights	24 25
Public Libray	193 83
Snow	1 60
Incidentals	695 94
Repairs of Public Buildings	198 69
Public Building, one-third account	376 78
Fires	75 70
Debts and interest	11612 25
State and County Tax	1964 00

\$27,454 40

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

State Treasurer, water loan	\$18000 00
“ “ water loan	2000 00
“ “ building loan	10300 00
“ “ refunded loan	2000 00
Peoples Savings Bank, ten year loan	10000 00
“ “ “ temporary loan	17200 00
Hersom Bros., water loan	1000 00
Mabel Heald, note	270 00

\$60,770 00

RESOURCES

Due from State aid	\$416 00
L. M. Hanff, on notes	225 00
Unpaid water rents	133 25
John W. Munroe, uncollected taxes, 1903	72 60
" " " 1904	78 55
" " " 1905	44 90
" " " 1906	316 65
" " " 1907	2241 84
" " " 1908	7338 33
Cash in Treasurer's hands	1390 44
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	\$12,257 56
Net debt of the town	\$48,513 44

APPROPRIATIONS

	For 1903	Recommended For 1909
Town Officers	\$1000 00	\$1000 00
Public Schools	4000 00	4000 00
Support of poor	400 00	400 00
Highways	2000 00	1600 00
Memorial Day	25 00	25 00
Public Library	Dog Fund	Dog Fund
Street Lights	110 00	
Snow and Incidental	1500 00	1500 00
Debts and interest	6000 00	6000 00
Repairs on building	200 00	200 00
Teams to fires	100 00	75 00
Military aid	50 00	
School Physician	25 00	25 00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, } *Selectmen*
 J. WARREN MOULTON, } *of*
 THOMAS P. O'HERRON, } *Rutland*

Rutland, March 1, 1909

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1909

PAID

Warren Moulton, for James White	\$ 97 00	
Town of Berlin, for Samuel Stratton	52 00	
Roland Prescott, for burial of State Pauper	10 00	
City of Worcester, for Rosa Rone	181 60	
City of Worcester, for Byron J. Sprague	106 00	
Aid rendered for the Lombard family	48 22	
		<hr/> \$494 82
Received from Malden, for Lombard family	\$ 48 22	
Due from State, for burial State Pauper	10 00	
		<hr/> \$ 58 22
Total expense of supporting paupers for year		<hr/> \$428 60

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID F. SMITH,	}	<i>Overseers of Poor</i>
JOHN W. MUNROE,		
JOSEPH E. WARE,		

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

The sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) being appropriated by the town for the repairs of highways and bridges.

As superintendent of the highways, I give below the amount expended each month.

In the month of April	\$226 71	
May	445 95	
June	547 19	
July	114 30	
August	81 39	
September	313 33	
October	150 50	
		\$1,879 37
Lumber for bridges		65 38
Tools and blacksmithing		26 79
Gravel		20 42
		\$1,991 96

THE LIST OF TOOLS BELONGING TO THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2 road machines
1 plow
6 shovels
4 picks
1 stone hammer
2 iron bars
4 hoes
1 brush scythe
3 drills
1 fork

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK D. FORBUSH

Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT

Your Superintendent begs to submit the following report:

Your Water Commissioners were very well pleased with the results of metering the water at the Sanitorium, and we hope the town will be satisfied. As the contract for water at the Sanitorium ran out last October, we renewed it for one year at the same price.

The financial showing for the Water Department, for the year, is very gratifying I think, as we have quite a balance in favor of the town. The water rents have been paid up in very good shape you will see by the collectors report, that the bills to July 1, 1908 are all paid, and to January 1, 1909 there is but a small amount not collected.

I will not give an itemized report of tools and fittings on hand as we have about the same amount as last year.

We have installed thirty-three meters to patrons taking water in the town and I am glad to report that they are very satisfactory.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Dr.

Amount of coal on hand March 1, 1908	\$ 80 00
Paid E. Viner, pumping	520 91
" labor on leaks	16 33
" for wood	10 00
" for trucking	1 00
" for straw	50
" for Miles Holden's bill	35
" for repairs on pump and boiler	26 95
New England Iron Works, repairs on boiler	11 18
George Gorden, labor on leaks	16 52
E. H. Tripp, printing	6 50
J. Welch, drawing coal	13 50

Paid James Collow, construction	84 38
Williams Express, express	75
C. Stone, construction	4 92
C. Stone, labor on leak	3 01
Thomas Smith, for bolts	60
Frost Stamp & Stationery Co., for stamps	6 00
H. Davis, construction	2 00
H. Davis, drawing coal	9 00
G. H. Miles, reading and sealing meters	11 25
“ “ installing meters	25 50
“ “ making tool box	5 00
“ “ for construction	3 95
“ “ stationery and postage	1 29
“ “ supplies and fittings	1 73
“ “ machine oil	1 00
“ “ express	60
“ “ repairs on leaks, etc.	8 65
“ “ superintendent services	25 00
Miller Henderson, construction	6 12
E. Lawrence, wood	11 25
A. C. Wheeler, drawing coal	15 75
Michael Loughman, blacksmithing	3 40
H. Calkins, drawing coal	45 50
George Gates, transportation	1 80
M. Ramsy, inspection of boiler	5 00
American Express Co.	1 15
Stewart & Sons, for repairs on boiler	31 05
Knowles Pump Works, for repairs on pump	16 15
Peter O'Neal, labor on leak	1 90
H. E. Smith, labor on leak	1 00
James Hammond, express	60
Geo. H. Clark, oil	10 00
Colwell Lead Co., fittings	6 51
Braman, Dow, pipe and fittings	51 84
Miles Holden, supplies	52
Rutland Grocery Co., supplies	76
Neptune Meter Co., for meters	299 00
E. Russell Norton, coal	476 68
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	256 09
John Nihin, labor on leaks	2 24

Paid J. Warren Moulton, painting hydrants	\$3 50
“ “ expenses at B. W. Potters	4 00
“ “ installing meters	15 00
“ “ telephoning, etc.	1 15
“ “ repairs on pipe at Pound Hill	2 65
“ “ three bags of waste	1 50
“ “ inspecting hydants	3 00
“ “ inspecting water fixtures	1 80
Interest on loans	723 12
Total expenditures	\$2818 36

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Bills rendered to the State Sanitorium for the year, from Jan. 1, 1908 to Jan. 1, 1909	\$2238 19
Bills rendered to the State Sanitorium for back pay from Jan 1, 1907 to Jan. 1, 1908	795 18
Due from town appropriation for hydrant service	350 00
“ “ supplying public building	20 00
“ “ supplying two watering tubs	10 00
“ “ supplying fountain at Rural Cemetery	10 00
Bill rendered to collector for water for patrons of town, from Jan. 1, 1908 to July 1, 1909	616 92
Bill rendered for meters	133 75
Bill rendered to collector for water for patrons, from July 1, 1908 to Jan. 1, 1909	619 52
Bill rendered for meters	195 00
Bill rendered to collector for construction, from Jan. 1908 to Jan. 1909	55 76
Money paid over to treasurer, for fitting, etc., by G. H. Miles	10 26
Total receipts	\$5054 58
Amount of old bills on hand ready for collection	\$520 67
Amount abated on old bills	95 80
Amount of bills rendered for water, fixtures and meters, etc., from Jan. 1, 1908 to Jan. 1, 1909	3869 40
Amount of bills approved from March 1, 1908 to March 1, 1909, interest on loans and coal on hand March 1, 1908	2818 36
Cash balance in favor of town	\$1051 04

The town having the use of hydrants, supplying public building, watering tubs and fountain, which amount	\$390 00
Amount paid by the Sanitorium to balance their account from Jan. 1, 1907 to Jan. 1, 1908	795 18
Total balance in favor of town	<u>\$2236 22</u>

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. MILES,

Superintendent

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RESOURCES

Balance from last year	\$ 27 61	
Appropriation	237 63	
Received from fines and catalogues	3 67	
Total receipts		\$268 91

EXPENDITURES

Paid Librarian's salary	\$78 00	
Express and supplies	1 85	
E. H. Tripp, printing catalogue and cards	71 25	
Denholm, McKay Co., books	44 58	
Total expenditure		\$195 68
Balance unexpended		\$73 23

The circulation of the Library for the past year has been 4378 vols.

The same organizations in the town that have supplied the reading table with literature for the past three years, very kindly continued their contributions, as follows :

Fire Department	\$10 00	
Home Relief	3 00	
Grange	3 00	
Ladies' Union	1 50	
Christian Endeavor Society	1 50	
Total		\$19 00

The literature furnished with this money has been :

The Outlook	Scientific American
Harper's Magazine	Leslie's Weekly
Bird Magazine	World To-Day
Travel Magazine	The Country Gentleman
Cosmopolitan Magazine	Christian Endeavor World
American Magazine	Garden Magazine

St. Nicholas and the National Geographic Magazine have been given by Mrs. Katherine Munroe, Lexington.

The Ladies' Home Journal, by Mrs. Converse.

Christian Science Sentinel, by Lois I. Fletcher.

The following books have been given :

12 vols. of Harper's Magazines—Lois I. Fletcher.

History of the Department of Mass. Womans Relief Corps—Rutland Relief Corps.

2 vols. Haine's Historical Collection of Ohio—David E. Phillips, of Ohio.

13 vols. given by Miss Catherine I. Ireland.

2 vols. by Mrs. Charles Pierce.

1 vol. by E. Raynor.

3 vols. by The Ladies Aid Society of West Rutland.

16 vols. Ohio Archilogical and Historical Publications. By Hon. E. O. Randall, Columbus, Ohio.

About fifty volumes of new books have been added by purchase.

As there has been a call, for some time, for a catalogue of the contents of the Library, we have had printed a complete catatogue, which is a pamphlet of fifty-four pages, for which the small price of ten cents is charged. It is hoped that the public will avail themselves of the opportunity to obtain them, as we think they will prove to be a great convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} Trustees of Library
MRS. SARA B. DRURY,	
MRS. MARY A. CONVERSE,	

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Edwin H. Crosby, Treasurer, in account with the inhabitants of the town of Rutland.

Dr.

Received Cash on hand Feb. 29, 1908	\$ 868 71
By hand of C. W. Dodge	554 01
of C. W. Dodge, collector	1,598 39
C. W. Dodge, surplus unaccounted for	260 00
J. W. Munroe, collector	18,549 49
Peoples Savings Bank, temporary loans	3800 00
City of Malden, aid to G. T. Lombard	48 22
J. W. Powe, pool table license	10 00
State Treasurer, tuition of children	184 75
“ “ transportation of paupers	4 50
“ “ one-half salary inspector of animals	43 75
“ “ corporation tax	11 16
“ “ National Bank tax	2 04
“ “ Military Aid	24 00
“ “ State Aid	416 00
“ “ High School Fund	500 00
“ “ Income School Fund	875 04
City of Boston, tuition of children	196 00
Jesse Allen, Supt. of Schools, account	312 50
George H. Miles, hall rents	195 50
“ “ water fixtures	10 26
County Treasurer, 89% dog fund	226 42
L. M. Hanff, auctioneer's license	2 00
“ “ school supplies sold	5 58
“ “ on note	150 00
“ “ interest on note	24 00
H. W. Calkins, over paid bill	3 37
Trustees of Public Library	2 00
Interest on bank deposits	9 54
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	\$28,887 23

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Paid Victor Norstrom, by hand of C. W. Dodge	\$ 42 39
5 town orders, by hand of C. W. Dodge	\$ 678 65
487 town orders	26,775 75
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	\$27,454 40
Cash on hand to balance	1,390 44
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	\$28,887 23

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

In Five Cent Savings Bank, Worcester	\$100 00
Interest	4 04
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	\$104 04
Paid W. C. Temple, Treas., Rural Cemetery Association	4 04
Balance in bank	<hr/>
	\$100 00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN H. CROSBY,

Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

During the months of March and April, the former tax collector, C. W. Dodge, collected and paid to the Town Treasurer the following amounts:

For water rents	\$628 98	
For taxes and interest	969 41	
Total		\$1,598 39

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

FROM MAY 8, 1908 TO MARCH 1, 1909

1903	Taxes committed	\$ 72 60	Paid Treasurer	\$ 00 00
1904	"	82 55	"	4 00
1905	"	76 72	"	31 82
1906	"	884 73	"	568 08
1907	"	6,020 98	"	3,790 14
1908	"	17,360 12	"	9,901 61
		\$24,497 70		\$14,295 65
1907	Abated	\$ 21 35		
1908	"	157 50		
1903	To collect	\$72 60	Interest	
1904	"	78 55	"	46
1905	"	44 90	"	1 93
1906	"	316 65	"	77 17
1907	"	2,209 49	"	166 03
1908	"	7,301 01	"	42 47
		\$10,023 20		\$288 06

J. W. MUNROE,
Collector

WATER REPORT

Received from Superintendent of Water Department water bills to collect from Jan. 1, 1908 to July 1, 1908 :

Jan. 3, 1908	Old bills	\$ 21 10	Paid Treasurer	\$ 21 10
3,	Construction	55 76	"	55 76
July 1,		750 57	"	750 57
		<u>\$827 43</u>		<u>\$827 43</u>

July 1, '08 to Jan. 1, '09,	\$814 02	Paid Treasurer	\$680 77
Due	133 25		

Received from Sanitorium

10 months, commencing,

April, 1908	\$2457 83	Paid Treasurer	\$2457 83
			<u>\$3,966 03</u>

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MUNROE,
Collector

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Water Commissioners and Selectmen, and found them to be correct.

JOHN V. JEWETT,
Auditor

Rutland, March 1, 1909

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the year ending March 1, 1909

STATISTICS

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age, as per school census September 1, 1908	212
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1908	227
Average membership for the year	210.9
Average attendance for the year	172.4
Per cent. of attendance	90.6
For the attendance by schools and terms, see the statistical table in the Superintendent's report.	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER SOURCES

Town appropriation	\$4000 00	
State, Superintendent's salary	312 50	
State tuition, State scholars,	184 75	
City of Boston, tuition and transportation	196 00	
Income Massachusetts School Fund	875 04	
State, for High School	500 00	
Cash for supplies sold	5 58	
		\$6073 87
Amount overdrawn		186 98
		<u>\$6260 85</u>

EXPENSES OF MAINTAINING SCHOOLS

Salaries of teachers	\$2911 00
Transportation	1601 30
Books and supplies	289 46
Supervision	453 44
Printing	14 17
Repairs	114 95
Janitors	333 46
Fuel	468 15
Sundries	74 92
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	\$6260 85

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS SALARIES

John V. Jewett, Principal High School	\$683 00
Miss J. Louise Marclay, Asst. High School	160 00
Miss Ruth L. Boyden, " "	140 00
Miss Mary H. Warren, " "	90 00
Miss Beulah W. Higgins, Center Grammar	132 00
Miss Kathrine Johnson, " "	242 00
Miss Martha Bemis, " Intermediate	132 00
Miss Nellie K. Bishop, " "	220 00
Miss Helena C. Cannon, Asst. " "	135 00
Miss Marion Keleher, Center Primary	120 00
Miss Bessie Bartlett, " "	208 00
Miss Nellie K. Bishop, North Rutland	120 00
Miss M. A. McDermott, " "	211 00
Miss Alice G. Buck, West Rutland	120 00
Miss Clara F. Managhan " "	198 00
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	\$2911 00

TRANSPORTATION

Matthew Cullen	\$363 00	
Dennis A. Smith	298 00	
Horace E. Smith	297 00	
Weston R. Upham	238 00	
Julia R. Davis	183 00	
Lucian F. Allen	166 00	
George H. Rice, 1907 and 1908	55 50	
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		\$1601 30

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett & Co.	\$137 76	
Ginn & Co.	91 37	
E. E. Babb & Co.	14 95	
American Seating Co.	13 60	
American Book Co.	8 76	
G. & C. Merriam & Co.	8 50	
D. C. Heath & Co.	5 25	
Estabrook Steel Pen Co.	3 72	
Carter, Rice & Co.	2 80	
Taylor, Holden & Co.	2 75	
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		\$289 46

SUPERVISION

Herbert J. Jones, Superintendent	\$166 69	
C. L. Randall, Superintendent	218 75	
Louis M. Hanff, School Committee	25 00	
Dennis A. Smith, "	18 00	
William C. Temple, "	10 00	
George S. Putnam, school census	15 00	
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		\$453 44

PRINTING

The Davis Press, letter heads	\$ 1 13
F. S. Blanchard & Co., Superintendent's Report	10 20
Miss J. L. Marclay, Graduation Programmes	2 84

 \$14 17

REPAIRS

Louis M. Hanff, labor and material, Center Bldg	\$88 58
John V. Jewett, labor on desks	7 30
George H. Miles, " "	5 05
Dennis A. Smith, " " and No. Rutland	10 00
Joseph Davis, setting glass. etc., "	2 42
Rutland Grocery Co., material for repairs	1 60

 \$114 95

JANITORS

George H. Miles, Center Building	\$306 66
Guy Cheever, West Rutland	15 10
L. E. Aldrich, " "	90
J. L. Davis, North Rutland	10 80

 \$333 46

FUEL

Center Building including two-thirds sundries	\$446 90
George M. Davis, North Rutland	13 75
H. W. Calkins, West Rutland	7 50

 \$468 15

SUNDRIES

Town of Paxton, tuition	\$ 9 50	
Miles Holden, brooms, etc.	1 35	
Elsie L. Nourse, washing towels	60	
John C. MacInnes, drapery and fixtures	4 30	
L. A. Baker, team for teacher	4 00	
L. M. Hanff, cash paid speaker for Graduation	10 00	
J. H. Griffin, carting supplies	5 25	
L. M. Hanff, expense to Boston and Holden, on account superintendent and teachers election	14 50	
Dennis A. Smith, expense to Holden, securing superintendent and teachers	4 00	
Express, freight on supplies, etc.	8 44	
H. J. Jones, office supplies	6 17	
C. L. Randall, “	5 81	
George H. Miles, Patron's Day supplies	1 00	
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		\$74 92

STATE SCHOOL FUND

Received from State Treasurer	\$875 04
Transferred to general account for school bills	875 04

SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and reported as follows:

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	117	
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	95	
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Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	89	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	78	
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ROLL OF HONOR

HIGH

One term: Wallace Forbush, Louise Maynard, Wendell Moulton.

Two terms: Merrill Wheeler, John Gleason, Anna Welch.

Three terms: Myrna Miles.

CENTER GRAMMAR.

One term: Gordon H. Calkins, Margarita C. Garnsey, Earl C. Griffin, Mary Dixon, Everlyn Fennel, Ruth Forbush, Maude Hadley, Edna Bowen, Frances Burke.

Two terms: Fannie Miles, Frank Maynard.

INTERMEDIATE.

One term: Bernice Putnam, Thomas Bates, Edith Hadley, Margaret Hills, Dorothy Huntress, Eleanor Heuston, Gladys Moulton, Lillian Upham, Marian Welch, Barbara Williams, Albert Cullen, Joseph Murphy, Frank Brooks, Frank Calkins, Arthur Hammond.

Two terms: Frank Brooks, Helen Curtis, Merrill Forbush, Ella Scott.

CENTER PRIMARY.

One term: Fred Bacon, Albina Celle, Winthrop Bray, Raymond Gleason, John Martin, James Martin, Rufus Putnam, Elizabeth Wheeler.

Two terms: Leonard Cullen.

NORTH RUTLAND.

One term: Edith M. Handy, Leo A. Handy, Eva Hatstat, Dorice Moulton, Raymond Bigelow, Edith Strong.

Three terms: Charles Hatstat.

WEST RUTLAND.

One term: Etta Chapman, Inez Taylor, Edward Sullivan.

CALENDAR—1909-10

SPRING TERM—From April 5 to June 25, inclusive, 12 weeks.

FALL TERM—From Sept. 7 to Nov. 19, inclusive, 11 weeks.

WINTER TERM—From Nov. 29 to Feb. 11, inclusive, 11 weeks.

High School to March 25, making 40 weeks. Lower Grade 34 weeks.

You will notice that your Committee has overdrawn to the amount of \$186.98. This was due to the fact that we were obliged to engage an assistant teacher for the Center Intermediate School, there being 56 pupils, the law required an assistant.

The tops of the desks, in all the rooms, in the center were in very bad condition requiring much labor to renew them and they are now in good shape.

It was impossible to keep the bills for transportation below \$1600, quite a little advance over last year, then the amount received from the State School Fund was over \$120 less than last year. Taking all this in consideration, your Committee feel that they did well to make no larger overdraft than they have.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS A. SMITH,
WILLIAM. C. TEMPLE. } *School*
LOUIS M. HANFF, } *Committee*

Rutland, March 1, 1909

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden, Mass., March 10, 1909

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF RUTLAND,

GENTLEMEN:

In this, my first annual report, I will try to give you definite information concerning the present condition of your schools, and recommendation for their future improvement.

Subjoined to this report may be found the reports of the Principal of the high school and of the Acting-Supervisor of Drawing.

You may gather from the Roll of Honor and from the Table of Statistics that the average attendance in your schools is low.

At the best, in the high school, $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the efficiency of the school is lost through irregularity of attendance; at the worst 16.7 per cent. is lost. In school attendance parents may do much. I urge upon parents and guardians to co-operate with teachers in the future to secure more regular attendance on the part of the pupil. This habit of regularity is one of the best lessons we can teach the child.

I would also urge parents to visit the schools more frequently; it is an encouragement to the teacher, an incentive to the pupil. Moreover it is their right to see for themselves how the schools in which their children are educated are conducted.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOLS	TEACHER	EDUCATED AT	Number of weeks service this year.	Total Enrollment.	Average Membership	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Attendance rank in town	Number of Pupils 7-14	Number of Visits.
HIGH	John V. Jewett, Principal Louise Marclay, Ruth Boyden, Mary H. Warren,	Dartmouth College*	40	25	25	23.38	93.5	1	0	30
		Boston University*	13							
		Holyoke University*	12							
		Smith University*	15							
GRAMMAR	Beulah W. Higgins, Kathryn L. Johnson,	Bridgewater Normal*	12	39	38.6	37.9	91	3	29	12
		Lowell Normal*	22							
INTERMEDIATE	Martha E. Bemis, Nellie K. Bishop, Helena C. Cannon, Ass't	Fitchburg Normal*	12	58	54	48.13	39.32	4	58	40
		Framingham Normal*	22							
		Worcester Normal*	18							
PRIMARY	Marion Kelleher, Bessie Bartlett,	Wheelock Kindergarten*	12	45	39.6	33.8	82.3	6	11	70
			22							
NORTH	Nellie K. Bishop, Mary A. McDermott,	Framingham Normal*	12	36	32.98	29.18	88.	5	34	17
		New Hampshire Normal	22							
WEST	Alice E. Buck, Clara F. Managhan,	Putnam Free School*	12	24	20.81	19.15	91.80	2	20	19
			22							

NOTE. Statistics based on record since Sept. 1.

*Indicates Graduate.

TEACHERS

In nearly all the schools changes have occurred in the teaching force during the past year. The greater part of your teachers are faithful, capable, and progressive. All efficient teachers should be retained, to do so will increase the effectiveness of the schools.

HIGH SCHOOL

I am well pleased with the progress of the High School during the two terms I have known it. Both teachers and pupils are to be congratulated on the upward stride. Specific information may be gained from the report of the principal. I will, however, call attention to two acts of your Board which have, or will, materially improve the school.

In August last a vote was passed to remove the ninth grade from the high school, keeping it in the grammar school, thereby allowing the high school teachers to give their entire time to high school subjects, and adding to the maturity and preparation of the entering class.

At the same date your Board voted to revise the curriculum of the high school. By the advice of State Agent McDonald, this revision will be made during the spring term, so that a printed course of studies may be placed in the hands of pupils and parents before the opening of the next school year.

I expect that this "course" will retain all that is good in the present one, and will strengthen the sciences and other important studies to the great benefit of those whose education must end with the high school.

CENTER

As may be seen from the School Statistics the center schools are overcrowded.

In October last it became necessary to hire an assistant teacher for the Intermediate School. A capable teacher was secured, and the office and end of adjoining hall was used as a recitation room. The law governing such cases has been complied with and the teacher of this school has been relieved from overwork.

However, by being obliged to put in an "assistant" the town has failed to get the full worth of its money. We had, as I have said, for assistant a competent teacher, what we should have done

is to have formed a fourth school and adjusted the work of the grades among the four teachers; thereby removing the pressure from any room which was overtaxed, and also distinctly benefitting other schools in the building.

The number of pupils in the center schools is such that the employment of a fourth teacher is obligatory, with a fourth school the cost of maintenance would be little more than at present with the assistant teacher, and the Rutland schools would be placed on such a footing that their efficiency would be greatly increased.

It is well known that the present equipment of the school building does not allow the formation of a fourth school.

Therefore, I recommend that the town be requested to appoint a committee to consider the need of such additional room and the method of securing it; said committee to report at some future meeting. In the meantime I urge that some action be taken whereby we may organize a fourth school on or before September next.

READING.

I have chosen reading as an important example of the "common" studies. The Aldine Method of reading has been introduced in the primary grades this year. I believe that I am justified in reporting marked progress in the reading of these grades. I do not wish publicly to advocate the Aldine system in preference to the Ward, the Gordon, or any other; but I do wish to advocate *some* system in preference to *no* system. In primary work I firmly believe in using a system of reading, and in using it to get out of it all there is in it.

New reading material has been provided for the pupils of the upper grades also; and I feel that I may claim for these grades, improvement. In arithmetic, language, geography, history, the so-called essential studies, I believe that advance has been made.

DRAWING.

We have been fortunate in having in Miss Kathryn Johnson, of the grammar school, a teacher much interested in drawing and capable of teaching it throughout the schools of the center. Miss Johnson's work will compare very favorably with that of regular supervisors of drawing.

While I admit that the making of pretty pictures is only an accomplishment, I claim that the power to express one's observation

on paper, to conceive and execute original designs, to draw a table, chair, or bureau, which one wishes to have built, to gain skill of the hand that it may do the bidding of the mind, is a practical education.

I trust that our schools may continue to receive instruction in drawing from an expert.

MUSIC.

The old time singing school is a thing of the past. To-day if our children do not learn the elements of music in the public schools, where shall they learn them? Our schools must educate, not for school, but for life.

What can come into the lives of the ordinary boy and girl that will add more to their enjoyment in later life than the knowledge of music and the power to participate in it to the enjoyment of themselves and their hearers? In what way can the town obtain a more immediate and satisfactory return for a small investment than to have, in a short time, a large number of children and young people able to help materially in the songs of church and social gathering?

You hear the question, "Can all children become singers?" No all children cannot become "singers," but all may learn the principles upon which music is founded, while ninety per cent. may be taught to sing as naturally, and relatively as well, as they now read.

The belief that much can be accomplished without the aid of an expert is a fallacy. An opportunity to study this question for the past decade has convinced me that "worth-while" results may be obtained only by the trained specialist.

Precedent should have some weight, and it is a fact that there are but few towns in the state which do not employ a teacher of music, not as an adornment but as a necessity.

I urge you not as an enthusiast in music, but as one who feels the loss of early training in it, give the boys and girls of Rutland a chance.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

Teachers' meetings have been held in Rutland on September 8; September 28; and December 15.

Two of these meetings have been conducted by the superintendent, and participated in by the teachers, one of them was conducted by State Agent Macdonald, who spoke on elementary physics.

On January 25, 1909, the State Board of Education held an institute at Holden, for the teachers of this district. It was very practical and of great benefit to our teachers. Addresses were made by State Agents Warren, Prince, Macdonald and Burnham, and by others.

January 29, an institute was held at Worcester, for high school teachers only. Our teachers attended.

TEXT BOOKS.

I found the text books in a delapidated condition, requiring attention. Changes have been made in Arithmetics and Readers. The Geographies should be changed during the present year.

Changes are expensive, but when once the books are in good condition the cost of keeping them so is not excessive.

In closing this report I wish to express my appreciation for the support and co-operation of my colleagues. I also wish to thank the committee for the courteous treatment and generous support accorded me.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. RANDALL,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

DEAR SIR:

I am glad of this opportunity for submitting a brief report of the progress made by the Rutland High School under your supervision. Throughout each course, which I have had the pleasure of teaching, my purpose has been two fold,—first, to fix firmly fundamental facts,—second, general training of the individual pupil in traits of character necessary for the efficient life. Brief outlines of a few classes will, I am sure, serve to illustrate both purpose and result.

In the Business Class the aim has been toward accuracy and speed. Short methods in the simple processes of Arithmetic have brought “interest” and consequently “effort.” I have considered it more important to study problems confronting the average person in daily life rather than any rigid system of book-keeping. In Business Law the class has spent two periods a week in valuable discussion of contracts and property. The Revised Laws and “Blue Book” of Massachusetts have been used freely for reference by both the business and civil government classes.

It is a pleasure to recall the past few weeks work with my Plane Geometry and Physics classes. In the former I have found that a text-book neither gives the interest nor brings the results that the teaching of Geometry without a text-book does. The memorizing required by text is far surpassed by the stimulus of descriptive board work to individual thinking and reasoning. The work with both classes has revealed to me many valuable truths in the art of teaching and has given my pupils added interest in the subjects.—The methods have had a short trial resulting in positive gain. By the end of the year I feel confident of satisfactory results.

About two months ago a new schedule for Rhetoricals was arranged. Each scholar is required to prepare and deliver one recitation and one essay a month, for which credit is given toward the diploma. The recitations are for the training of the ability for

speaking in public. The essays are carefully written and criticised, some interesting current question being taken as subject. Rhetoricals are held every Friday afternoon during the last period and parents and friends are cordially invited to attend. The prize speaking contest of February 26th was of great benefit along these lines.

Before speaking of discipline, I want to state that the privilege of entrance by certificate has been granted this year to Rutland High School by Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst.

The deportment of the high school pupils is of the highest order. I am proud to say that this school is composed of young men and women who have always been ready and willing to respond to the best interests of the school. The discipline in the grades under my supervision have been excellent. I am fully convinced that the "strap" is not the cause of *good* behavior. The boys and girls have respected my wishes and there has been but one case demanding severe punishment. I feel that the existing conditions would not be possible without the co-operation of the grade teachers. I desire to thank them in this report for their willing co-operation with me.

To return to the high school. Each class is well organized under constitution and by-laws. Class meetings are held at the homes of various members. Mass meetings are called to discuss questions pertaining to school life. A committee has been elected by this school and authorized to consider composition of school songs. The gymnastic class held twice a week after school, has done much in developing the young men physically and mentally. We are now working for a public exhibition. Ever since the trip to Barre Fair, at which the school made a good showing for the first time and without training, "the sprit of the school" has been climbing up. All the things I have named above are silently at work nurturing a school spirit, establishing pure and strong social relations and cementing friendships of those "old school days."

In submitting this report I am pleased to extend my appreciation for the many helps and firm support of the Superintendent and School Committee.

Respectfully,

JOHN V. JEWETT,

Rutland, March 8, 1909.

Principal.

REPORT OF THE
ACTING SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

MR. C. L. RANDALL,

Supt. of Schools.

DEAR SIR:

Believing that drawing is one of the first studies that cultivates the aesthetic side of life, I therefore endeavor to work with this object in view.

There is not a child that cannot draw, though all cannot be artists, but all can be taught to see things as they are in construction, harmony and design.

Two half hours a week is devoted to drawing in each room. One half hour the children are under my instruction, and the other half hour they are being taught by their respective teachers under my direction. The course of study includes, objects drawn in any position, design, color, harmony, and nature work.

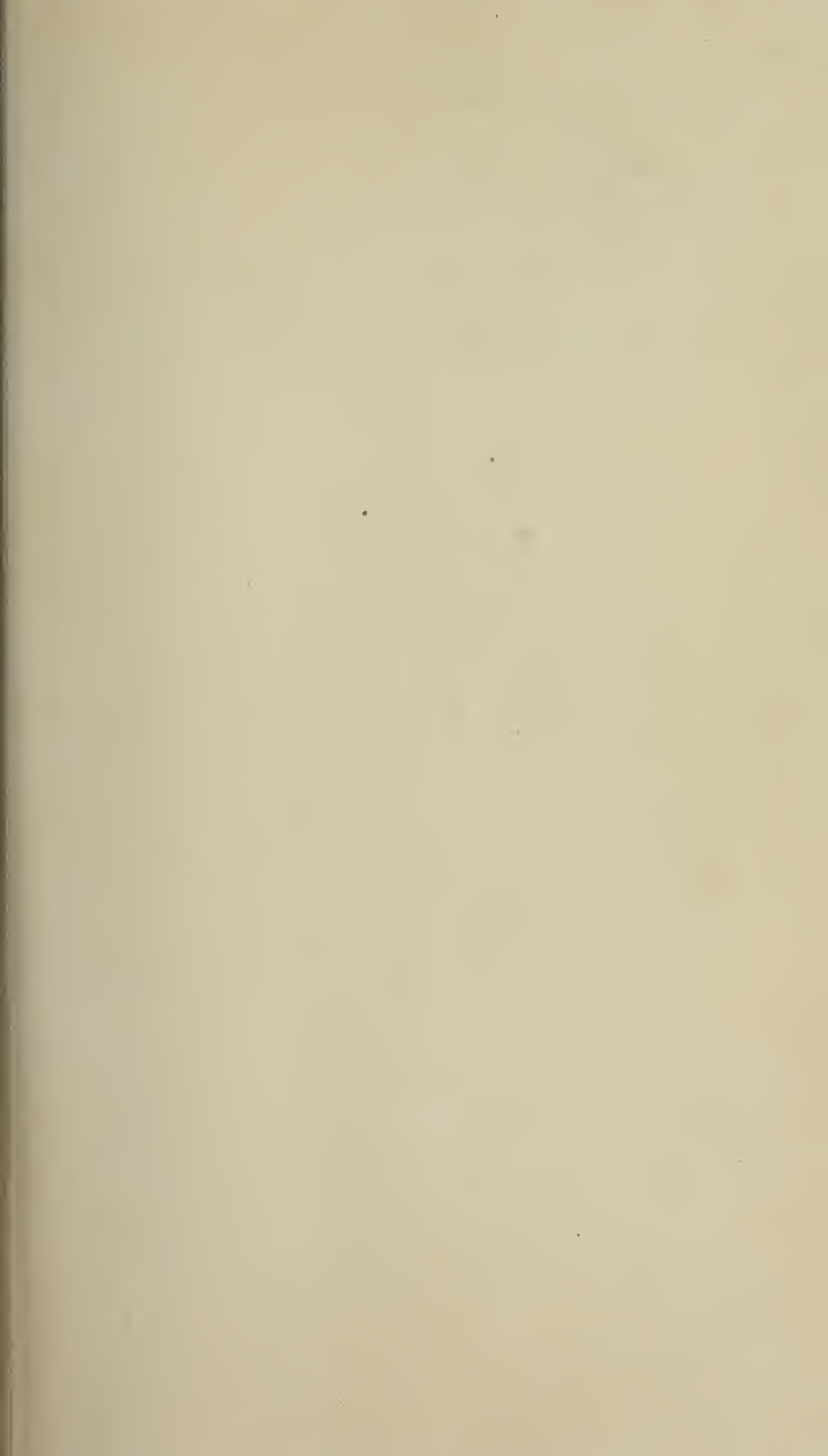
Throughout the building the children have shown interest and given good attention, and I feel proud of the work they have accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHRYN L. JOHNSON,

Acting-Supervisor of Drawing.

February 23, 1909.



1910

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TOWN OFFICERS

For the Year Ending March 1, 1910

TOWN CLERK

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1910

SELECTMEN

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE
J. WARREN MOULTON
THOMAS P. O'HERRON

Term expires 1911
Term expires 1910
Term expires 1912

ASSESSORS

DENNIS A. SMITH
JOSEPH E. WARE
CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

Term expires 1911
Term expires 1910
Term expires 1912

OVERSEERS OF POOR

DAVID F. SMITH
JOHN W. MUNROE
JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1911
Term expires 1910
Term expires 1912

TREASURER, EDWIN H. CROSBY COLLECTOR, JOHN W. MUNROE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

J. WARREN MOULTON
GEORGE H. MILES
CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

Term expires 1912
Term expires 1910
Term expires 1911

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DENNIS A. SMITH
LOUIS M. HANFF
WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1911
Term expires 1910
Term expires 1912

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM E. CHAMBERLAIN
DAVID P. BUTLER
WALTER A. WHEELER

Term expires 1910
Term expires 1911
Term expires 1912

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE
MRS. MARY E. CONVERSE
MRS. SARA B. DRURY

Term expires 1910
Term expires 1911
Term expires 1912

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR, FRANK D. FORBUSH

AUDITOR, CLIFFORD J. GRAY

TREE WARDEN, FRANK D. FORBUSH

CONSTABLES

LOUIS M. HANFF J. WARREN MOULTON DENNIS A. SMITH
PETER S. O'CONNOR GEORGE E. SHARPE

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND PARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

JOSEPH E. WARE

MILES E. GRIFFIN

ARTHUR E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

JOSEPH E. WARE

FRED WELLINGTON

HORACE E. SMITH

POUND KEEPER, PETER S. O'CONNOR

CATTLE INSPECTOR, GEORGE S. PUTNAM

MEAT AND PROVISION INSPECTOR, GEORGE S. PUTNAM

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, LOUIS M. HANFF

FENCE VIEWERS

EMORY LAWRENCE

WESTON R. UPHAM

MATTHEW DELEHANTY

SOLDIERS' BURIAL AGENT, ROLAND C. PRESCOTT

DOG OFFICER, DENNIS A. SMITH

SPECIAL POLICE

GEORGE H. MILES

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

WALTER C. BROWN

FRANK L. CHEEVER

GEORGE C. ERSKINE

JOHN W. MCGANN

WILLARD J. TURNER

FRED J. TUCKER

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

WALTER C. BROWN

WILLARD J. TURNER

FRANK B. BACON

WARRANT

FOR

Town Meeting, March 28, 1910

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To EITHER of the Constables of the Town of Rutland in the County of Worcester.

Greeting :

Worcester, ss.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, in said Rutland, on the twenty-eight day of March inst. at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the annual reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk for three years, for one Selectman for three years, for one Assessor for three years, for one

Overseer of Poor for three years, for a Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for one Water Commissioner for two years, (to fill vacancy) for one Water Commissioner for three years, for one School Committee for three years, for one member of Board of Health for three years, for one Library Trustee for three years, for Highway Surveyor for one year, for Auditor for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, for five Constables for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may close at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for support of poor, for salaries of town officers, for use on Memorial Day, for contingent expenses for paying debts and interest, for employment of school physician, for use of public library.

ART. 8 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the water department on account of hydrant service.

ART. 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for maintenance of street lights, or act thereon.

ART. 10 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay the corporate surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for repairs on the public building.

ART. 12 To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes and Treasurer..

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for use of teams for fires and forest fires.

ART. 14 To see if the town will vote to publish each year, in the annual report, a list of the delinquent tax payers.

ART. 15 To see if the town will vote to unite with other towns in caring for the poor on the co-operative plan.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to appropriate any unexpended balances of appropriations there may be, the coming year, also any unappropriated money received by the treasurer.

ART. 17 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for work done in exterminating the gypsy and brown tail moth.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of the town. One at each post-office, one at store at North Rutland and one at the public building in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and ten.

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,	
THOMAS P. O'HERRON,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1909:

BIRTHS

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE	
		1909	
Stillborn Female	— — —	Jan.	6
Elizabeth	Arthur F. and Eva L. (Lucas) Fales	Feb.	24
Abbie Louise	Fred J. and Abbie R. (Hunter) Tucker	Feb.	26
Stillborn Male	— — —	May	14
Elsie Viola	Lewis R. and Elsie H. (Peabody) Bigelow	May	29
Cornelius Edward	Patrick and Kathryn (Hickey) Fitzpatrick	June	15
Stillborn Female	— — —	June	24
Catherine	Michael and Mary E. (Carlson) McGann	July	14
Rita Gertrude	Alexander and Addie (Lawless) Henderson	Aug.	3
Stillborn Male	— — —	Aug.	24
Robert Ivan	George A. and Margaret (O'Donald) Graton	Sept.	22
Leo Ambrose	William A. and Nellie H. (Cahill) Curtis	Oct.	4
Esther	Marks and Eva (Alterman) Schwartz	Nov.	5
Hazel Elizabeth	Fred T. and Inez (Nevin) Shepard	Nov.	22
Harvey Lincoln	George F. and Addie R. (Baker) Handy	Dec.	22

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
1909			
January 2	David B. Garnsey Florence A. Squier	Boston	Rutland Brooklyn, N. Y.
March 15	Frederic W. Moody Margaret D. Preston	Auburn, N. H.	Rutland Auburn, N. H.
March 10	George E. Scott Eleanor H. (Osler) Heuston	Holden	Rutland Rutland
June 16	Ferdinand Button Mary R. Healey	Holden	Rutland Rutland
June 19	Clarence V. Murphy Ruth E. Montague	New York City	Rutland [R. I. Whalen Lake,
June 30	Oscar E. Spear, Jr. Mary E. Connor	Worcester	Rutland Rutland
July 21	Dennis F. Callahan Ida L. Baker	Rutland	Rutland Rutland
Oct. 11	Barclay W. Vincent Alice V. Williams	Nantucket	Nantucket Rutland
Nov. 20	Fabius W. Beckwith Rhoda T. Canfield	Rutland	Oakham Oakham
Nov. 25	Joseph Archambeau Flora B. Laton	Holden	Worcester Rutland
Dec. 27	Henry H. King Ethel M. Heald	Wareham	Rutland Rutland

DEATHS

DATE 1909	NAME	DISEASE	AGE	RESIDENCE
			y. m. d.	
Jan. 1	Patrick Madigan Pulmonary Tuberculosis		28 — —	Hopkinton
Jan. 4	Charles Rabinowitz Pulmonary Tuberculosis		27 — —	New York City
Jan. 4	Edward J. Kelley Pulmonary Tuberculosis		34 7 5	Somerville
Jan. 6	Female Stillborn			Rutland
Jan. 7	Ottie C. Purdy Pulmonary Tuberculosis		37 5 20	Newton
Jan. 10	Fred N. Nichols Pulmonary Tuberculosis		30 3 1	Lynn
Jan. 11	Delia C. Griffin Pulmonary Tuberculosis		39 — —	Palmer
Jan. 12	Fred L. Sloper Pulmonary Tuberculosis		32 — —	Natick
Jan. 14	William M. Wood Pulmonary Tuberculosis		42 — —	Palmer
Feb. 1	Janet Campbell Bronchial Pneumonia		72 2 10	Rutland
Feb. 7	William A. Fritts Intestinal Tuberculosis		38 7 29	Boston
Feb. 10	Thomas W. McGillicuddy Valvular Heart Disease		35 — 8	Worcester
Feb. 14	Alfred St. Leon Pulmonary Tuberculosis		47 — —	New York City
Feb. 16	Arthur A. Gilmore Pulmonary Tuberculosis		28 10 23	Brookline
Feb. 20	Helen Sampson Pulmonary Tuberculosis		18 6 7	Fitchburg
Feb. 26	Edward Dunlevy Pulmonary Tuberculosis		22 — —	Brattleboro, Vt.
Mar. 9	Carl F. Torno Suicide by Strangulation		45 — —	Webster
Mar. 13	Milton P. Wentworth Pulmonary Tuberculosis		19 7 19	Lee
Mar. 15	Edward F. Conley Pulmonary Tuberculosis		38 — —	Somerville

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
1909			y.	m.	d.	
Mar. 15	Arthur Foster	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	24	—	—	Lawrence
Mar. 26	Annie H. Hilton	Pyronephrosis	29	8	22	Rutland
April 7	Julius A Fitch	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	26	10	2	Boston
April 18	Mina E. Corey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	2	20	Rutland
April 24	John Cushing	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	11	—	Boston
May 1	Otilia Olund	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	17	6	12	Worcester
May 14	Male	Stillborn				Rutland
May 16	Ralph E. Whitters	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	2	23	Taunton
May 19	Robert Swenson	Tubercular Meningitis	38	1	22	Everett
May 24	William M. Donavan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	8	4	Greenfield
May 30	John B. Wells	Chronic Bronchitis	91	5	4	Rutland
June 3	Alice M. Wyman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	2	28	Malden
June 4	Fannie Swartz	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	10	19	Boston
June 12	John A. Smith	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	5	14	Weymouth
June 12	Helen B. McDonald	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	10	5	Hudson
June 14	John Reardon	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	17	—	—	Lynn
June 20	Matilda S. Richardson	Gastric Carcinmata	56	2	—	Skowhegan
June 26	Female	Stillborn				Rutland
June 27	Francis A. Barry	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	—	—	Arlington
June 28	Mary A. Cody	Senile Dementia	84	—	—	Rutland

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1909						
June 30	Charles H. Dolan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	—	—	Boston
April 29	Mary L. Sullivan	Haemoptysis	32	11	6	Somerville
July 21	Benjamin Holden	Chronic Nephritis	72	11	9	Princeton
July 31	Samuel Enrick	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	43	—	—	Boston
Aug. 10	Charles Forsman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	2	3	New Britain, Conn.
Aug. 18	Thomas A. Hodgson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	—	—	—	Boston
Aug. 18	Stephen H. Spicer	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	—	—	Lowell
Aug. 27	Elizabeth Fales	Enteritis	—	6	3	Rutland
Aug. 28	Yetta Nathanson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	33	—	—	Malden
Aug. 31	Ethel M. Schaffer	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	3	28	Adams
Sept. 3	William T. Walsh	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	8	23	Pittsfield
Sept. 14	Luke Manning	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	77	—	—	Quincy
Sept. 16	Edward G. Palmer	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	5	3	Somerville
Sept. 14	Charles B. Sargent	Epilepsy	42	8	5	Rutland
Sept. 24	Timothy E. Callahan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	—	—	Boston
Oct. 11	George F. Williamson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	10	—	Cambridge
Oct. 19	Frank A. Thompson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	42	9	23	Hopedale
Oct. 21	Frank H. Thayer	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	54	8	18	Rutland
Nov. 8	Patrick McDonough	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	—	—	Boston
Nov. 11	Frank E. Coddington	Valvular Heart Disease	56	1	10	Rutland

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1909						
Nov. 13	Walter Pyne		40	—	—	Southwick
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis					
Nov. 17	Harry S. Richardson		33	11	27	Boston
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis					
Nov. 24	James Cavanagh		50	—	—	Rutland
	Alcholic Poisoning					
Dec. 8	Edward Lavin		26	2	18	Worcester
	Intestinal Obstruction					
Dec. 15	Annie Kennedy		38	—	—	Blackstone
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis					
Dec. 16	Mary E. Quirk		34	—	7	Providence, R. I.
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis					

DOGS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR 1909:

Cash received for 108 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	\$216 00
Cash received for 17 Female Dogs @ 5.00	85 00
Total,	\$301 00
Less 125 fees @ 20¢	25 00
Paid County Treasurer,	\$176 00

In addition to the names published in last year's report, these Resident Hunters' Certificates of Registration have been issued, all of which expired December 31, 1909.

Lewis R. Bigelow	George Hammond	William E. Hunt
Ernest A. Graton	Albert F. Wales	William Duncan
Edwin M. Leavitt	J. A. Lyons	Wendell Moulton
James F. O'Herron	C. Arthur Hanson	George I. Hunt
William A. Russell	Homer B. Lovering	Herbert M. Prouty
George C. Erskine	Harry Bartlett	Gordan Calkins
Harry A. Marshall	Abner L. Morse	J. A. Brainard
Charles E. Moorehouse	William R. Edson	Charles E. Parker
Thomas H. Connors	James E. Hitch	George W. Pierce
Frank Kann	George S. Gates	J. W. Moulton, Jr.
Horatio West	Charles E. Hill	Joseph E. Ware
George Flagg	Benjamin Connor	Harry W. Gilbert
Fred J. Tucker	Charles Connor	Fred D. Wellington
Harry L. Allen	Guy H. Cheever	John W. Gleason
George A. Bacon		

These have been issued since January 1, 1910, expiring December 31, 1910:

H. Edward Wheeler
Ernest A. Graton
David F. Putnam
John F. Connors
William J. Hunt
George C. Erskine
James E. Hitch
Matthew J. Cullen

Lyman A. Baker
George H. Rice
George S. Gates
Thomas H. Connors
William E. Hunt
William F. Moore
Harry Gilbert
Charles C. Hill

The following Jury List was selected by the Selectmen in June 1909, and returned to the Town Clerk:

William J. Hunt
Thomas P. O'Herron
George M. Taylor
H. Edward Wheeler
Arthur E. Coddling
Frank D. Forbush
Clarence T. Oliver
Arthur E. Sargent
Howard S. Davis
George H. Miles

James Hammond
William H. Maynard
Lewis R. Bigelow
Matthew J. Cullen
Matthew Delehanty
Joseph E. Ware
Joseph M. Moulton
Walter A. Bartlett
Charles J. Campbell
Homer B. Lovering

From the above list these have been drawn:

H. Edward Wheeler
George H. Miles

Charles J. Campbell
William J. Hunt

Respectfully submitted,

Rutland, March 1, 1910.

LOUIS M. HANFF,
Town Clerk

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1910

The report of the Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1910, is herewith submitted.

We have drawn 546 orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$38,699.31, as follows:

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$1000 00	
Received from State one-half compensation		
Inspector of animals	49 50	
Total amount available		\$1049 50

TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff	\$34 75	\$34 75
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SELECTMEN

William C. Temple	\$78 00	
J. Warren Moulton	70 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	70 00	
		\$218 00

ASSESSORS

Dennis A. Smith	\$70 00	
Joseph E. Ware	70 00	
Charles J. Campbell	70 00	
		\$210 00

OVERSEERS OF POOR

David F. Smith	\$10 00	
John W. Munroe	10 00	
Joseph E. Ware	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$25 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS

J. Warren Moulton	\$10 00	
George H. Miles	10 00	
Charles J. Campbell	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$30 00

COLLECTOR

John W. Munroe, taxes	\$216 22	
“ “ water rents	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$246 22

TREASURER

Edwin H. Crosby	\$100 00	\$100 00
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AUDITOR

John V. Jewett	\$25 00	\$25 00
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REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff	\$10 00	
William C. Temple	8 00	
J. Warren Moulton	8 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$34 00

ELECTION OFFICERS

Joseph M. Moulton	\$2 00	
Herman D. Bray	2 00	
John C. Boyle	4 00	
Matthew Delehanty	4 00	
Arthur E. Coddington	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$14 00

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

George S. Putnam	\$99 00	\$99 00
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CONSTABLES

Louis M. Hanff	\$5 50	
Dennis A. Smith	5 50	
J. Warren Moulton	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$16 00
Amount expended for town officers salaries		\$1051 97
Overdrawn		\$2 47

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$4175 00	
Receipts from all other sources	1906 18	
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Total		\$6081 18
Orders drawn	\$6182 09	
Overdrawn		\$100 91

(See report of School Committee)

POOR

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Received from other sources	25 00	
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Total		\$525 00
Orders drawn		565 00
Overdrawn		\$40 00

(See report of Overseers)

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$1600 00	
Orders drawn	1595 86	
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Balance unexpended		\$4 14

(See report of Highway Surveyor)

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$50 00	
Order drawn	40 00	
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Balance unexpended		\$10 00

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCOUNT

Frank S. Pratt, coal	\$195 44	
Georfie H. Miles, janitor	460 00	
“ “ supplies	9 94	
W. C. Temple, wood	11 25	
H. W. Calkins, drawing coal	23 12	
“ “ wood	14 50	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	37 95	
American Express Co., express	75	
Rutland Grocery Co., oil and supplies	74 23	
Elwood Adams, repairs	7 05	
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		\$807 23
Of the foregoing account two-thirds or	\$538 16	
is charged to school account		
and one-third or	\$269 07	
is charged to the Public Building.		

DEBTS AND INTEREST

Appropriation		\$6000 00
Paid State of Mass., notes for water loan	\$1000 00	
“ “ building loan	1300 00	
“ “ refund loan	500 00	
Peoples Saving Bank, refund loan	2000 00	
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		\$4800 00
Peoples Savings Bank, temporary loan	\$15200 00	
Wor. County Institution, temporary loan	2000 00	
Mabel E. Heald, note	270 00	
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		\$17470 00
Of this amount has been refunded	\$10000 00	
and paid by new notes	5000 00	
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		\$15000 00
Leaving as the actual reduction of temporary loan		\$470 00
Total of orders drawn for debts		5270 00

INTEREST

Paid State of Massachusetts	\$1133 00	
Peoples Savings Bank	769 27	
Hersom Bros.	35 00	
Mabel E. Heald	11 00	
Worcester County Institution	324 74	
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		\$2273 01
Total orders drawn for debts and interest		7543 01
From this amount should be taken the temporary loan paid of	\$470 00	
The interest on water loan assumed by the Water Department	756 25	
The town has received for interest on taxes	287 10	
“ “ interest on notes	14 87	
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		\$1528 22
Balance overdrawn		\$14 79

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation (dog fund)	\$201 42	
Balance from last year	73 23	
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Total		\$274 65
Orders drawn		\$274 65

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriated	\$25 00	
Balance unexpended		\$25 00

SNOW AND INCIDENTALS

Appropriation		\$1600 00
By vote of the town all unexpended balances, and the income from town hall are added to the incidental appropriation as follows:		
Memorial day	\$ 10 00	
Highway	4 14	
School Physician	25 00	
Rentals of hall	193 60	
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Total amount available		\$1832 74

SNOW

Paid Frank D. Forbush	\$56 86
Arthur E. Coddington and others	41 10
Bernard Welch	1 00
William Daly	4 40
John J. Carr	31 00
Ralph W. Temple	14 25
D. A. Smith & Son	44 30
Harry Bartlett	11 40
Michael McGann	5 70
E. H. Crosby	7 60
John Hendrickson	16 00
H. E. Smith	8 40
Joseph B. Merriam	7 80
Carl and Walter Griffin	3 35
Walter E. Mirick	12 60
Campbell Brothers	27 20
Charles Parker	9 40
Frank Parker	9 40
R. E. Matthews	5 70
Walter H. Prescott	8 70
Mark A. Putnam	1 40
Avery Putnam	2 40
George M. Davis	8 20
William J. Hunt	27 40
Roland Prescott, Jr.	4 00
John J. Welch	24 50
Fred D. Wellington	6 80
John Celle	3 60
J. W. Gleason	1 00
Daniel Gleason and Joseph Murphy	2 10
Freddie DeMartine	45
William J. Welch	10 00
Reinald Boquest	1 40
Chester C. Allen	2 00
P. W. Meader	9 60
H. B. Loverin	6 90
F. W. Hatstat	4 60

Paid Charles and Manassah Nanigan	\$6 70	
Della Latown	28 10	
Hector Latown	16 90	
Frank Casservan	3 20	
Maddy Manard	3 60	
M. J. Cullen	10 83	
George H. Rice	12 80	
John H. Boquest	12 20	
W. H. Maynard	18 90	
Frank Gleason	1 00	
Joseph Strong	7 20	
L. R. Bigelow	26 50	
James and Miller Henderson	12 70	
Warren G. Wales	29 60	
Frank A. Bliss	2 10	
Levi H. Stearns	14 96	
William W. Prescott	5 80	
William J. Prescott	2 30	
Howard S. Davis	16 40	
E. E. Lawrence	3 30	
M. R. Sargent	3 30	
T. H. Conner	15 00	
H. W. Calkins	28 80	
Newton I. Sargent	13 80	
Walter G. Sargent	16 20	
Charles W. Gilbert	25 80	
Harry W. Gilbert	6 20	
Matthew Delehanty	35 60	
W. H. Hammond	90	
Fred T. Shepard	80	
W. C. Temple	7 00	
Total		\$831 00

INCIDENTALS

E. H. Tripp, printing town reports	\$81 50
Louis M. Hanff, court expenses	57 97
Ross Bros. Co., moth pickers	4 02
W. & L. E. Gurley, sealers supplies	5 25

H. D. Bray, moth work	\$42 50
H. Edward Wheeler, moth work	63 37
J. Russell Marble, soda and acid	1 65
R. C. Prescott, death returns	11 25
Wakefield Daily Item, assessors supplies	4 20
L. M. Hanff, treasurer and collectors bond	32 00
J. W. Moulton, Jr., printing signs	1 50
P. B. Murphy, dog blanks	1 50
Frank A. McNamara, tuning piano	3 50
Worcester County Abstract Co., transfers	10 05
Hobbs Title Co., transfers	5 00
Hobbs, Warren Co., transfers	2 50
Sanford-Putnam Co., town officers supplies	4 10
Frank A. Smith & Son, insurance	10 00
Peter S. O'Connor, court expenses	10 45
E. H. Tripp, tax collector supplies	6 75
L. M. Hanff, insurance	30 00
James R. Putnam, cleaning old cemetery	10 00
D. A. Smith, assessors supplies	4 00
E. H. Tripp, printing valuation reports	48 75
Frank Forbush, work on driveway about common	33 75
E. H. Tripp, printing for Board of Health	8 25
American Express Co., express	95
F. E. Marsh, sealers supplies	1 50
E. A. Graton, moth work	16 00
Malden Specialty Co., sealers supplies	1 00
E. H. Tripp, order book and blanks	7 25
Thomas Smith & Co., clock repairs	2 50
Geo. E. Stimpson & Co., selectmens safe	80 00
J. E. Ware, maintaining watering trough	5 00
E. H. Tripp, printing blanks	4 50
E. H. Crosby, Treasurer, postage and stationery	4 18
J. W. Munroe, Collector, " "	12 00
L. M. Hanff, regilding and painting dials on town clock	40 65
L. M. Hanff, services and expenses as sealer of weights and measures	8 00
" " services as local supt., moth work	9 00
" " agent Board of Health	6 75

L. M. Hanff, administering oath to town officers	\$4 00
“ “ rendering and transmitting returns to Secretary of Commonwealth	38 00
“ “ express and postage as Town Clerk	7 35
George H Miles, care of public grounds	20 00

\$762 44

BILLS

The following bills were paid out of the incidental appropriation:

Appropriation for teams to fires and forest fires \$100 00

Paid George Taylor	\$ 80
Henry Harris	80
Lawrence Strong	80
Arthur Coddington	1 80
H. Edward Wheeler	1 00
Louis M. Hanff	2 55
Peter S. O'Connor	9 00
Marsh Ice Co.	2 00

\$18 75

Appropriation for common \$25 00

Paid Henry Converse \$25 00

\$25 00

Appropriation for repairs on Public Building \$200 00

Paid Great Eastern Roofing Co , repairs on roof	\$18 00
E. G. Higgins Co., window shades	11 20
L. M. Hanff, painting window sash and doors	66 10
H. D. Bray, labor	7 88

\$103 18

Appropriation for Fire Brigade \$150 00

Paid Fire Brigade, for hose

\$150 00

Total incidentals \$1059 37

Snow bills 831 00

Total	\$1890 37
Overdrawn	\$57 63

OVERDRAWN APPROPRIATIONS

Town officers	\$ 2 47	
Schools	100 91	
Poor	40 00	
Maintenance of public building not provided for	269 07	
Debts and interest	14 79	
Incidentals and snow	57 63	
Tax abatement for 1909	202 97	
	<hr/>	\$687 84
To offset this overdraft, are the tax overlayings	\$175 90	
Additional assessments	767 67	
The Treasurer has received from various sources		
money unappropriated	204 93	
	<hr/>	\$1148 50
Which shows a balance in favor of the town in its running expenses the past year		\$460 66
In addition is the balance which the Water De- partment has paid above expenses		1114 00
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Total amount in favor of town		\$1574 66

RECAPITULATION

Town officers	\$1051 97	
Schools, including two-thirds public building	6182 09	
Poor	565 00	
Highways	1595 86	
State aid	350 00	
Memorial Day	40 00	
Water Department	1937 29	
Public Library	274 65	
Snow	831 00	
Incidentals	1059 37	
Public Building one-third account	269 07	
Debts and interest	24543 01	
	<hr/>	\$38699 31

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

State Treasurer, water loan	\$17000 00	
“ “ water loan	2000 00	
“ “ building loan	9000 00	
“ “ refunded loan	1500 00	
Peoples Savings Bank, ten year loan	8000 00	
“ “ “ temporary loan	2000 00	
Hersom Bros., water loan	1000 00	
Worcester County Institution, refunded loan	10000 00	
“ “ “ temporary loan	5000 00	
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		\$55500 00

RESOURCES

Due from State aid	\$350 00	
Unpaid water rents	339 30	
John W. Munroe, uncollected taxes, 1903	52 72	
“ “ “ “ 1904	64 51	
“ “ “ “ 1905	37 97	
“ “ “ “ 1906	118 39	
“ “ “ “ 1907	560 92	
“ “ “ “ 1908	3451 70	
“ “ “ “ 1909	8029 67	
Cash in Treasurer's hands	287 86	
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		\$13293 04
Net debt of town		<hr/>
		\$42206 96

APPROPRIATIONS

	For 1909	Recommended For 1910
Town Officers	\$1000 00	\$1000 00
Public Schools	4150 00	4000 00
Support of poor	500 00	500 00
Highways	1600 00	1600 00
Memorial Day	50 00	50 00
Public Library	Dog Fund	Dog Fund
Snow and Incidentals	1600 00	1600 00
Debts and interest	6000 00	6000 00
Repairs on building	200 00	300 00
Fires	100 00	50 00
Common	25 00	25 00
School Physician	25 00	25 00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, } *Selectmen*
 J. WARREN MOULTON, } *of*
 THOMAS P. O'HERRON, } *Rutland*

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1910

PAID

Town of Berlin, Samuel Stratton	\$52 00	
City of Worcester, for Rosa Rone	182 50	
“ “ for Byron J. Sprague	182 50	
“ “ for Herbert Smith	52 00	
Warren Moulton, for James White	96 00	
		\$565 00
Received from Herbert Smith, for board		25 00
Total expense of supporting poor the past year		\$540 00

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID F. SMITH,
 JOHN W. MUNROE, } *Overseers of*
 JOSEPH E. WARE, } *Poor*

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

The sum of sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600.00) being appropriated by the town for the repairs of highways and bridges.

I give below the amount expended each month :

In the month of April	\$139 21	
May	461 00	
June	453 50	
August	84 98	
September	259 54	
October	122 25	
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		\$1520 48
Lumber for bridges		22 00
Gravel and cutting brush		22 78
Tools and blacksmithing		30 60
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		\$1595 86

THE LIST OF TOOLS BELONGING TO THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS :

2 road machines
1 plow
4 shovels
3 picks
1 stone hammer
2 iron bars
5 hoes
1 brush scythe
3 drills
1 fork

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK D. FORBUSH,

Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

The work of the Department has gone along about the same as last year. We have put in a few more meters and taken a few more new patrons and have lost a few, but on the whole we have a small gain.

We have at present 92 services

Number not metered 53

Number metered outside of Sanitorium 39

The pump at the pumping station has registered 40,776,440 gals.

We have run through the meters at the Sanitorium 19,754,727 gals.

We have run through the meters of the town patrons about 2,512,745 gals.

The largest amount pumped at pumping station in one day 259,592 gals.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Dr.

Paid Braman Dow, pipe and fittings	\$106 68
H. Davis, drawing coal	8 00
Owen O'Toole, leak on water tub	97
Neptune Meter Co., repairs	1 26
“ “ “ meters	84 00
American Express Co., express	60
George Gordon, labor	11 87
Steve Broderick, labor on stand pipe	1 00
Rutland Grocery Co., supplies	7 40
H. Calkins, drawing coal	32 11
Knowles Pump Works, repairs	27 03
John Nihin, labor on leaks	5 22
E. H. Tripp, printing and stationery	12 25

Paid Ross Bros., wheelbarrow	\$2 75
A. Brown, drawing coal	16 00
E. Williams, trenching	6 52
George Clark, oil	5 00
Thomas Smith, bolts	1 20
Wm. Ramsy, inspecting boiler	5 00
P. W. Meader, drawing coal	54 84
E. Lawrence, wood	9 68
Millet Signal Co., detectophone	20 00
F. B. Cannon, drawing coal	20 70
E. Russell Norton, coal	630 96
C. T. Oliver, supplies	1 00
B. & M. R. R., freight	184 53
Dan Hunt, labor repairs	2 72
Michael Loughman, repairs for pumping station	3 00
J. Welch, drawing coal	4 25
Marsh Ice Co., coal	4 00
Julus Schultz, labor on trench	3 01
E. Viner, pumping	537 98
“ repairs at pumping station	25 32
“ repairs on leaks	19 68
“ wood	7 50
“ tapping pipe	1 98
“ cleaning stand pipe	1 25
“ looking over pipe line	61
George Miles, setting meters	10 75
“ “ freight	50
“ “ postage and stationery	52
“ “ oil	50
“ “ labor at pumping station	2 00
“ “ shutting off and turning on water	75
“ “ labor on repairs	6 00
“ “ cartage on pipe	50
“ “ American Express Co., express	2 50
“ “ stop and waste	40
“ “ Supt. services	25 00
“ “ Registrars services	20 00
Interest on loans	756 25
Total expenditures	<u>\$2693 54</u>

Cr.

Bills rendered the State Sanitorium for water from Jan. 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910	\$2399 14
Bills rendered collector for water furnished patrons from Jan. 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910	1287 52
Bills rendered for pipe fitting, etc. for year ending March 1, 1910	121 19
Due from town appropriation for hydrant service	350 00
“ “ supplying public building	20 00
“ “ “ two public watering tubs	10 00
“ “ “ fountain at Rural Cemetery	10 00
	<u>\$4197 85</u>
Amount of bills approved for the year ending Mar, 1, 1910	2693 54
Balance in favor of town	<u>\$1504 31</u>
Amount Bills rendered for the year ending Mar. 1, 1910	\$3807 85
Bills approved for the ending Mar. 1, 1910	2693 54
Cash balance in favor of town	<u>\$1114 31</u>

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. MILES,
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RESOURCES

Balance from last year	\$73 23	
Appropriations	201 42	
Total		\$274 65

EXPENDITURES

Paid Librarian's salary	\$78 00	
" extra services	22 00	
Library Bureau, chair	6 00	
for lamp	3 37	
for two book stacks	87 00	
rebinding books and magazines	21 56	
Denholm & McKay Co., new books	56 72	
Total		\$274 65
The Librarian has received from fines, etc.	\$4 05	
and has paid for express	3 38	
Balance in her hands		\$ 67

The circulation of the Library has been 4015 volumes.

Total number visiting the library and reading room the past year has been over 3000.

The various organizations contributing for the reading table have been as follows:

Firemen	\$10 00
The Grange	3 00
Home Relief	3 00
Ladies' Union	2 00
Christian Endeavor Society	1 50
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	\$19 50

The Geographic Magazine, St. Nicholas and American Magazine have been given by Miss Katherine Munroe, Lexington.

Ladies' Home Journal, by Mrs. Converse.

McClures, Pearsons and Cosmopolitan by C. W. Dodge.

The Outlook and World To-Day by Mrs. Drury.

As the shelf room had become exhausted, the Trustees have purchased two sections of steel stacks which will accommodate about 1300 volumes. Quite a number of worn out books have been replaced by new ones, also some have been rebound, and several year's issues of the St. Nicholas and National Geographic Magazine have been bound, and about fifty new books have been added by purchase. We think, we can truly say, that the Library was never so well equipped for the public use as at the present time.

There will be found on the last pages of the town report a list of the new books added to the Library since the catalogue was printed. This list can be easily detached and inserted in the catalogue.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, } *Trustees*
 SARA B. DRURY, } *of*
 MARY A. CONVERSE, } *Library*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Edwin H. Crosby, Treasurer, in account with the inhabitants of the town of Rutland.

Dr.

Cash on hand March 1, 1909	\$1390 44
Received of J. W. Munroe, collector	19082 43
Central District Court, fines	116 20
Geo. H. Miles, hall rents	193 60
Wor. Co. Institution for Savings, refund loan	10000 00
" " " temporary "	7000 00
State Treas., burial of pauper	10 00
" transportation of pauper	1 50
" tutition of children	37 00
" $\frac{1}{2}$ compensation of cattle inspection	49 50
" corporation tax	9 92
" National Bank tax	24 08
" Military Aid	20 00
" State Aid	406 00
" High School Fund	500 00
" Income School Fund	886 68
Jesse Allen, Supt. of Schools, account	312 50
City of Boston, tuition of children	170 00
Overseers of Poor, H. Smith	25 00
County Treasurer, dog fund	233 22
L. M. Hanff, auctioneers license	2 00
" " note and interest	239 87
J. W. Powe, pool table license	10 00
Interest on bank deposits	21 23
Total	\$40741 17

Cr.

Paid Selectmen's orders	\$38699 31
State Treasurer, State tax	945 00
" " road tax	58 00
County Treasurer, County tax	751 00
Cash on hand to balance	287 86
Total	<u>\$40741 17</u>

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

In Five Cent Savings Bank	\$100 00
Interest accrued	4 04
	<u>\$104 04</u>
Paid W. C. Temple, Treas. Rural Cemetery Association	4 04
Balance in bank	<u>\$100 00</u>

Respectfully submitted

EDWIN H. CROSBY,
Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Ending March 1, 1910

1903	Taxes committed	\$72 60	Paid Treasurer	\$14 98
1904	"	78 55	"	11 40
1905	"	44 90		
1906	"	316 65	"	156 93
1907	"	2209 49	"	1688 86
1908	"	7301 01	"	3973 71
1909	"	17622 55	"	9600 05
		<u>\$27645 75</u>		<u>\$15445 93</u>

1903	To collect	\$52 72	Interest	\$3 93
1904	"	64 51	"	2 63
1095	"	37 97		
1906	"	118 39	"	13 50
1907	"	560 92	"	151 90
1908	"	3451 70	"	128 65
1909	"	8029 67	"	18 42
		<u>\$12315 88</u>		<u>\$319 03</u>

1903	Abated	\$8 83
1904	"	5 27
1905	"	6 93
1906	"	54 83
1907	"	111 61
1908	"	4 25
1909	"	11 25
		<u>\$202 97</u>

J. W. MUNROE,
Collector

WATER BILLS

1909 Bills received from Water Department			
March 1	Due	\$133 25	Paid Treasurer \$133 25
Jan. 1 to July 1, 1009		647 14	" 633 31
	Due	13 83	
July 1 to Jan. 1, 1910		693 54	" 436 10
	Due	257 44	
Fixtures for year		68 03	
Due		68 03	
Old water bills		463 88	" 50 70
	Due	413 18	
Received from Sanatorium			
12 months water ending			
March 1, 1910		2383 14	" 2383 14
		<u>\$4388 98</u>	<u>\$3636 50</u>

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MUNROE,

Collector

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Water Commissioners and Selectmen, and found them to be correct.

CLIFFORD J. GRAY,

Rutland, March 14, 1910.

Auditor

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the year ending March 1, 1910

STATISTICS

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age, as per school census September 1, 1909	208
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1909	241
Average membership for the year	247
Average attendance for the year	177.3
Per cent. of attendance	88.8
For the attendance by schools and terms, see the statistical table in the Superintendent's report.	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS

Town appropriation	\$4000 00	
State Superintendent's salary	312 50	
State tuition, State scholars	37 00	
State, for High School	500 00	
City of Boston, tuition and transportation	170 00	
Income Massachusetts School Fund	886 68	
Repairs on West Rutland school	150 00	
From Dog Fund for Laboratory	25 00	
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		\$6081 18
Overdrawn		100 91
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		\$6182 09

TOTAL EXPENSE OF MAINTAINING SCHOOLS

Salaries of teachers	\$2826 20	
Transportation	1579 60	
Books and supplies	299 88	
Supervision	454 59	
Printing	17 55	
Repairs	319 77	
Janitor	344 85	
Fuel	251 16	
Sundries	88 69	
	<hr/>	\$6182 09

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS SALARIES

John V. Jewett, Principal High School	\$306 00	
Herbert C. Fiske, " " "	345 00	
Miss Mary H. Warren, Asst. High School	170 00	
Miss Edith G. Peck, " " "	239 00	
Mrs. G. Erskine, substitute " " "	5 00	
Miss Katherine Johnson, Center Grammar	132 00	
Miss Celia MacMahon, " "	220 00	
Miss Nellie K. Bishop, " Intermediate	340 00	
Miss Mary R. Rice, Assistant " "	96 00	
Miss Bessie Bartlett, " Primary	340 00	
Miss Helena C. Cannon, West Rutland	160 00	
Miss Mary Bowen, West and North Rutland	87 00	
Miss Carlotta E. Hoenemann, West Rutland	97 20	
Miss M. A. McDermott, North Rutland	120 00	
Miss Feodore M. Nichols, "	36 00	
Miss Katherine S. McGrath, "	93 00	
Miss M. L. Patterson, "	4 00	
Miss Mary Donohue, "	36 00	
	<hr/>	\$2826 20

TRANSPORTATION

Matthew J. Cullen	\$367 40
Horace E. Smith,	302 40
Dennis A. Smith	298 80
Weston R. Upham	240 70
Julia R. Davis	162 80
Lucius F. Allen	168 00
George H. Rice	39 50
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	\$1579 60

PRINTING

E. H. Tripp	\$9 00
W. E. Prouty	2 55
Davis & Banister	6 00
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	\$17 55

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

E. E. Babb & Co.	\$132 94
J. L. Hammett & Co.	51 98
L. A. Knott Aparatus Co.	26 62
Ginn & Co.	30 56
American Book Co.	20 55
Silver Burdett & Co.	13 76
D. C. Heath & Co.	8 67
Hinds, Noble & Co.	9 60
McKinley Publishing Co.	2 70
Milton Bradley Co.	2 50
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	\$299 88

SUPERVISION

Charles L. Randall, Superintendent	\$389 59
Louis M. Hanff, School Committee	25 00
Dennis A. Smith " "	15 00
William C. Temple " "	10 00
George S. Putnam, school census	15 00
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	\$454 59

JANITORS

George H. Miles, Center Building	\$320 00	
Lucius Aldrich, West Rutland	4 30	
Francis Ware, “	12 30	
Julia L. Davis	8 25	
	<hr/>	\$344 85

FUEL

Center Building including two-thirds sundries	\$218 16	
George M. Davis, North Rutland	16 50	
Joseph E. Ware, West Rutland	15 00	
Henry W. Calkins, “	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$251 16

REPAIRS

Walter B. Ware, labor, carpenter work	\$64 61	
Albert Trask, mason work and material	11 60	
Sawyer Lumber Co., flooring and lumber	60 91	
Adams & Powers, moulding and finish	10 55	
J. E. Buck, painting labor	11 59	
Herman D. Bray, painting and metal ceiling	23 37	
Edward A. Hanff, metal ceiling, carpenter work	40 00	
Joseph E. Ware, lumber and labor	4 65	
E. G. Higgins Co., curtains	3 00	
Keighley Metal Ceiling Co., metal	24 45	
Louis M. Hanff, painting and metal ceiling work and paint material	45 63	
Rutland Grocery Co. nails and paper	4 41	
Louis M. Hanff, floor oil and labor, Center Build'g	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$319 77

SUNDRIES

Mrs. Elsie L. Nourse, washing towels	\$2 70
Mrs. E. Aldrich, cleaning West Rutland school room	2 60
Town of Paxton, tuition	6 50
Geo. M. Davis, glass, stove pipe and broom	1 15
Charles L. Randall, office supplies	14 60
Edward Moulton, clock for North Rutland	5 00
Jones, McDuffee & Stratton, tumblers	3 91
Climax Co., cartons	2 54
Rutland Grocery Co., supplies	80
Barnard, Sumner & Putnam Co., flags and poles	25 00
Charles E. Burbank, graduation speaker	10 00
Charles A. Stone, work on desks	2 00
Freight and express	6 44
Louis M. Hanff, expense to Holden, postage and telephone	3 75
Miss Clara Bascom, writing diplomas	1 50

 \$88 49

STATE SCHOOL FUND

Received from State Treasurer	\$886 68
Transferred to general account for school bills	886 68

SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and reported as follows:

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	116	
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	92	
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Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	94	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	81	
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ROLL OF HONOR

ONE YEAR

Grammar—Fanny Miles, Thomas O'Brien

TWO TERMS

High—Frank Maynard, Ruth Forbush.

Grammar—Joseph Murphy.

Intermediate—Albert Cullen.

Primary—Joseph Angelo.

TWO YEARS

West—Hazel Taylor.

TWO TERMS

North—Edith Handy.

ONE TERM

High—Edmund Burke, Louise Maynard, Myrna Myles, John Gleason.

Intermediate—George Cannon, Frank Curtis, Walter Griffin, Chas. Hill, Joseph Scott, Ethel Boothby, Albina Celle.

Primary—Laura Connor, Tommy Dugal, Jimmy Martz, Elizabeth Wheeler, John Henderson, John Martin, Frank Calkins, William Connor, Frank Brooks, Merrill Forbush, Emily Bliss, Karl Boquist, Leonard Cullen, Arthur Flye, Gilbert Hills, Nellie Nash, Walter Hayden.

West—Gladys Cheever, Chester Allen, Pauline Pokorny.

North—Alice Hatstat, Charles Hatstat, Eva Hatstat, Dorice Moulton.

CALENDAR—1910—11

SPRING TERM—April 4 to June 24, inclusive, 12 weeks.

FALL TERM—Aug. 29 to Nov. 18, inclusive, 12 weeks,

WINTER TERM—Nov. 28 to Dec. 3, inclusive, 4 weeks. Jan. 2 to Feb. 10, inclusive, 6 weeks.

High continuing till March 24, making 40 weeks of High School and 34 weeks for lower grades.

At the town meeting in March 1909, \$150 was appropriated to repair the school house in West Rutland. This amount was found to be inadequate to do the work, as the building was in very bad shape. The underpinning was repaired, the chimney was relaid, metal ceiling was put on, the north end was clapboarded, a new maple floor was laid, which necessitated relaying much of the lining floor also. The desks and seats were scraped and varnished, and the building was painted inside and also on the outside.

We were obliged to use about \$150 more than the town voted, which was taken from our appropriation for schools, so we have overdrawn about \$100 to pay all the bills that were incurred.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS A. SMITH, WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, LOUIS M. HANFF,	}	<i>School Committee</i>
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REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden, Mass., March 8, 1910

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF RUTLAND,

GENTLEMEN :

In presenting my second annual report I wish to review the work of the past year, call attention to the condition of the present and make recommendations for the future.

Subjoined to this report will be found the report of the High School Principal and the School Physician, also Table of Statistics.

HIGH SCHOOL

At the close of the last school year John V. Jewett sent in his resignation as principal of the high school; it was received with regret on the part of those especially interested. Both pupils and school officials recognize the good qualities of Mr. Jewett and are pleased to learn of his success in Belchertown.

Mr. Herbert A. Fiske, of Providence, began the school year in charge of the high school and as disciplinary principal of the building. Mr. Fiske had taught one year, but had not had the responsibility of the principalship. February 18, 1910, he severed his relations with this school and found a class-room position elsewhere.

I believe that we have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Edward H. Leonard, the present principal of the school. Mr. Leonard has had a year's successful experience as master of a similar school, and I look forward to seeing Rutland High School make good progress before the close of the present school year.

Miss Edith G. Peck, the assistant teacher, is making a good start as a teacher and is having a most wholesome influence over the school.

I am firmly convinced that the chief need of this school of ours is to retain the services of capable teachers for a reasonable length of time. No school can be successful when teachers are constantly changing, and no ambitious principal or assistant will remain after a successful year without remuneration commensurable with that success.

The State agent who has especial jurisdiction over high schools and who was urging last June the retention of the principal, said, "Of course the committee can pay a successful man \$1000." We must face this question squarely; if we hope for the same kind of success that other small high schools have our maximum salaries should be raised to \$1000 for the principal and \$500 for the assistant. By so doing we may reasonably expect to keep teachers who prove successful several years. It may be impossible to do this on the present appropriation, if so the town should take into consideration when new appropriations are made the fact that living expenses are increasing, have increased nearly 40% in the last ten years, and salaries of teachers should increase to partially meet the additional cost of living.

I hope to see at the beginning of the coming school year a revision of the curriculum which shall meet the approval of the State Board of Education, and shall offer more "life" studies to those pupils who have no desire to fit for college.

During the present year the science course has been strengthened by the introduction of chemistry. It is the aim in both physics and chemistry to make the applications from every day life as plain as possible.

CENTER

You will see from the table of statistics that the three schools of the center are overcrowded. Forty-five pupils are more than should be given to one teacher, the strain is more than many can bear.

A prominent educator said to me within in a year, "The difference in the 'wear and tear' upon a teacher in a school of thirty pupils and one of forty is tremendous." Some method, therefore should be found at once whereby a fourth school can be opened in the center, even with four teachers there would be an average of thirty-five pupils each.

It is, too, in the graded schools, as well as in the high, of the utmost importance to retain efficient teachers. Rutland cannot rival the wealthy towns and pay large salaries, but she should insist that the encouragement of one or two dollars per week over the minimum salary be given to the successful teacher, thereby retaining her services one or two years longer. A teacher with a few years experience is worth double what she was as a beginner. There are at the time of this writing teachers in this town who should be kept here if possible. Ten dollars per week with a maximum of twelve dollars, to be obtained the third year if successful, will attract and retain teachers who either would not accept a school or would leave in a short time at the minimum salary.

Rutland has a right to expect as good schools as can be found in the neighboring towns; in my opinion in the above paragraph may be found the way to gain them.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

Believing the health of the child to be of primary importance the school board has appointed Dr. Chamberlain school physician, as formerly, but with this addition; he will make inspection of every child in school once each term, making such recommendations to parents or teachers as seem to him best; he will also, as heretofore, answer all calls made upon him by the teachers.

Individual drinking cups will shortly be introduced. Mr. Hanff has secured a small glass in a neat pasteboard box which may be purchased, if desired, at three cents each.

I wish to call attention to the vaccination law. Contagion in neighboring towns has emphasized the wisdom of enforcing this law. Parents should see to it that children in school, and young children who are to enter school in September, should be vaccinated before the school begins next fall.

DISTRICTS

I am a firm believer in giving to the district school all that we give to the center. I believe in the possibility of the district school and wish to see each a center of good influence in its community.

I regret the numerous changes in teachers which have occurred in the two districts this year.

In the West Miss Cannon who was doing very acceptable work left to accept a better position.

In North Rutland the sickness of the regular teacher has led to the employment of substitutes, which is usually injurious to the school.

MUSIC

I wish to call to your attention what I wrote last year concerning the teaching of music in the public schools. See page 46 of 1909 Report.

I believe that nothing can come into the lives of the boys and girls which will be more cultural for the present and will add more to their

enjoyment in after life than a knowledge and appreciation of music. Of the towns in this district Holden and Oakham already employ a teacher, the same one could be secured on advantageous terms by Rutland.

COMMON STUDIES

Progress has been made in Reading and Arithmetic this year, especially in the first six grades, progress which I wish to see continue through all grades.

I have no patience with slovenly work in the essentials, the "three R's." A new method of teaching spelling, or rather of drill in spelling is just being taken up. I hope to report progress later.

PARENTS

I feel more strongly this year than ever before the need of co-operation between parents and teachers.

There have been a few cases of misunderstanding. I am sorry for these, they are always detrimental to the child.

Usually kind and hearty co-operation on the part of the parent is appreciated and gladly welcomed by the teacher.

At all events, we parents have a mighty responsibility in the care and training of our children, a responsibility which we are unable to lay successfully on the shoulders of any teacher.

I regret to say that we have too little for boys and girls to do at home. The school curriculum tends to become too broad, the home curriculum too narrow.

Let the parents who read these words give them earnest consideration.

Let them study especially the column in the table of statistics entitled "The Number of Visitors."

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. RANDALL,

Superintendent.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

SCHOOL	TEACHER	PREPARATIVE	Number of weeks service in year	Total Enrollment	Present Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Number of Pupils 7 to 14	Number of Visitors
HIGH	John V. Jewett	Dartmouth*	14							
	Mary Warren	Smith*	14	24	22	23.3	22.3	95.7	2	9
	Herbert A. Fiske	University of R. I.*	21							
	Edith G. Peck	Boston University*	26							
	Edw. H. Leonard	Dartmouth*	5							
CENTER GRAMMAR	Kathryn Johnson	Lowell*	12	48	44	45.7	46.4	88.8	24	14
	Celia MacMahon	Framingham*	22							
CEN. INTERMED.	Nellie K. Bishop	Framingham*	34	54	48	49	39.0	89.9	53	23
CEN. PRIMARY	Bessie H. Bartlett	Wheeler Kindergarten*	34	47	39	41.1	35.5	86.5	32	30
WEST	Helen C. Cannon	Worcester Normal*	12							
	May Bowen	Rhode Island Normal*	4							
	Carlotta Hoennemann	Millis High*	18	36	22	25	22.15	88.6	19	16
NORTH	Mary McDermott	N. H. Normal	12							
	Feodore Nicholls	Hyannis Normal*	4	32	24	?	18	84	20	5
	Katherine S. McGrath and Substitutes	Worcester Normal*	17							

NOTES * Indicates Graduate ? Indicates not filled in Teacher's Report Figures taken from Record since September "Present Enrollment" means February 25, 1910

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

DEAR SIR:

In making a report on the condition and progress of the Rutland High School, I can do little more than express my first impressions and my hopes for the remainder of the year.

It is always unfortunate for a school to undergo a change of teachers during the year, but the extent of loss depends in large measure upon the attitude of the pupils. If they are loath to accept the new ideas and methods offered them everything must be at a standstill until they are persuaded to change their minds. On the other hand, when the pupils make an effort to help the new plans, and do their part, the result cannot fail to be good.

Two weeks ago I began my duties in this school. From the very first the attitude with almost no exception, has been the best that could be asked. Some things have been new to the pupils and have appeared correspondingly strange, but there has been no lack of co-operation. The end of the first week saw the school running smoothly, and the prospect of a satisfactory outcome.

As a school, the attention, application and anxiety to progress are all good. For the most part careful preparation is apparent.—Such tendencies properly guided and assisted can bring nothing less than success.

We hope we may be able to give such guidance and assistance, and that the close of school in June will find each pupil at least forty weeks farther advanced than he was in September.

Respectfully submitted,

EDW. H. LEONARD.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

During the past year the schools of North Rutland and West Rutland have been inspected. The children in these schools were generally found healthy with the exception of some slight skin eruption, with a few cases of vermin. All the cases were prescribed for and treated at home. The Village Schools so far have not been inspected, but will be during the coming school term. Many children have been referred to my office for treatment and examination in one way or another.

The object of the school examination is to reduce to a minimum the number of cases of any disease in Rutland. The idea is to have the public, parents and children intelligently informed as to ways and means of preventing disease.

EDUCATION

Distribute circulars containing a simple statement of the few things necessary in the prevention and treatment of some common diseases likely to inflict school children. These circulars to be sent to parents for reference in time of need or every day information.

Talk to the teachers, and have them in turn talk to the pupils each week a few minutes about Hygenic and personal cleanliness. All children ought to be thoroughly examined, weighed and measured. This is a precautionary measure against lack of development. Its the ounce of prevention thats worth the pound of cure.

It needs aggressiveness to bring effective influence to bear upon the parents, town officials, school officials, to make these school examinations what they ought to be, or to derive any permanent or lasting benefit from them. The physicians can examine, advise and consult, but all these things must be carried out to get results.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. CHAMBERLAIN,

School Physician.

Rutland, March 1, 1910.

LIST OF NEW BOOKS ADDED TO LIBRARY

Author	Title	Number
Periodicals		
National Geographic Magazine	3v 1906-7-8	051 N
St. Nicholas Magazine	6v 1904-1909	051 S
Harpers Magazine	12v 1885-90	051 H
Ethics		
Chapple, J. M.	The Happy Habit	170 C
Bailey, L. H.	The State and the farmer	172 B
Religion		
Grenfell, W. T.	A Man's Faith	252 B
Clark, F. & H.	The Gospel in Latin Lands	266 C
Sociology		
Butterfield, K. L.	Chapters in Rural Progress	331 B
Murry, Charles & Frank.	Method of Recitation	371 M
Bryant, S. C.	Stories to tell children	372 B
“ “	How to tell stories to children	372 B 1
Natural Science		
Keeler, Harriet L.	Our Native Trees	582 K
American Poetry		
Van Dyke	White Bees	811
American Essays		
Repplyer, Agnes.	Happy Half Century	814 R
Craig, A. H.	Pieces that have taken prizes	814 C
Van Dyke, H.	Fisherman's Luck	814 V
Perry, Bliss.	Park Street Papers	814 P 1
Le Row.	Pieces for Prize Speaking	821 R
Hathaway, B. A.	Acme Declamation Book	821 H

Travel Description

Waller, M. E.	Through the Gates of the Netherlands	91 W
	Rand McNally Atlas	912
Riis, Jacob.	The Old Town	914.8 R
Van Dyke, H.	Out of Doors in the Holy Land	915 D
Headland, I. T.	Court Life in China	915.1 H
Grenfell, W. T.	Labrador	917.1 G
Mills, E. A.	Wild Life on the Rockies	917.8 M
Roosevelt, Theodore.	Stories of the Great West	917.8 R
Eells.	Marcus Whitman path finder and patriot	917.8 E
Higginson, Ella.	Alaska	917.98
Clark, Francis Et	Continent of Opportunity	918
	Howe's Historical Collections of Ohio	977.1
	Ohio's Archoeological and Historical Publications	977

Biography

Palmer.	Life of Alice Freeman Palmer	92 P 18
Eliot, S. B.	Sons of the Puritans	92 E
Tappan, E. M.	Letters from Colonial Children	92 T 16
Shelly, H. C.	John Harvard and his times	92 S
Howard, O. O.	Famous Indian Chiefs I have known	92 H
Gladden, Washington.	Recollections	92 G
Richards, Laura E.	Florence Nightingale	92 R 39
Sangoter, Margaret.	From my Youth Up	92 S 5
Morgan, J.	Abraham Lincoln the boy and the man	92 L 63
	Perfect Tribute—Lincoln	92 L
Grenfell, W. T.	Adrift on an Ice Pan	92 G

Fiction

Andrews, Mary.	Militants	A 56 m
Barbour, R. H.	Kitty of the Roses	B23 k
Buxton, C. M.	Stories of Early England	B 98 s
Cable, G. W.	Cavalier	C 11 c
" "	Kincaid's Battery	C 11 k
Caine, Hall.	Prodigal Son	C 12 p
Chambers, R. W.	Danger Mark	C 35 d
Cady, Grace E.	Jacquette a Sorority Girl	C 63 j
Davis, Nora.	Northerner	D 29 n
Deland, Margaret.	Awkening of Helen Richie	D 37 a
Douglas, Amanda.	Sherburne Cousins	D 74 se
" "	Sherburne House	D. 74 sh
Doyle, Conan.	White Company	D 77 w
" "	The Sign of the Four	D 77 st
" "	A Study in Scarlet	D 77 t

Author	Title	Number
Duncan, Norman.	Suitable Child	D 86 s
Fox.	Trail of the Lonesome Pine	F 83 tn
Fotheringham, E. B.	Turn of the Road	F 93 f
Gale, Zona.	Friendship Village	G. 15 f
"	Friendship Village Love Stories	G 15 fr
"	Loves of Pelleas and Etarre	G 15 l
Gilman, B.	Son of the Desert	G 42 s
Gordon, Charles.	Prospector	G 65 p
"	" Sky Pilot	G 65 s
"	" Man from Glengarre	G 65 m
"	" Foreigner	G 65 f
MacGrath, Harold.	Man on the Box	G 77 m
Hope, Anothony.	Phroso	H 31.4
Hall, Eliza C.	Land of Long Ago	H 41 d
Hornblower, Arthur.	By Right of Conquest	H 78 b
Klein, Charles.	Lion and the Mouse	K 69 li
Knowles, R. E.	Attic Guest	K 76 a
Lane, E. M.	Katrine	L 24 k
Lewis, A. H.	The Boss	L 59 b
Lincoln, J. C.	Partners of the Tide	L 68 p
McCall, Sydney.	Truth Dexter	M 13 t
Merrick, Leonard.	Lynch's Daughter	M 56 l
Mitchell, S. Weir.	Red City	M 69 r
Montgomery, L. M.	Anne of Green Gables	M 76 a
"	" Anne of Aronlea	M 76 an
Munn, Charles Clark.	Rockhaven	M 92 r
"	" Uncle Terry	M 92 u
Page, T. Nelson.	John Marvel Assistant	P 14 j
Parrish, Randall.	When Wilderness was King	P 21 w
Porter, Gene Stratton.	Girl of the Limberlost	P 83 g
"	" Freckles	P 83 f
Reed, Myrtle.	Spinner in the Sun	R 25 s
Richards, Laura.	Mrs. Tree	R 39 t
Smith, Hopkinson.	Peter	Sm 5 p
"	" Forty Minutes Late	Sm 5 fr
Smith, W. H.	Evolution of Dodd	Sm 5
Somerville, C.	Woman's Way	So 5 w
Thurston, I. T.	Bishops' Shadow	T 41 bi
"	Big Brother of Sabin St.	T 41 b
Thurston, Katherine C.	Circle	T 41 c
Townley, H.	Bishop's Emeralds	T 41 bs
Waller, M. E.	Woodcarver of 'Lympus	W 14 w
Wallace, Dillon.	Ungava Bob	W 15 u
Wright, Harold B.	Shepherd of the Hills	W 93 s
Wright, Mabel Osgood.	Poppea of the Post Office	W 93 p
White, William.	A Certain Rich Man	W 58 a

Author

Title

Number

Juvenile Books

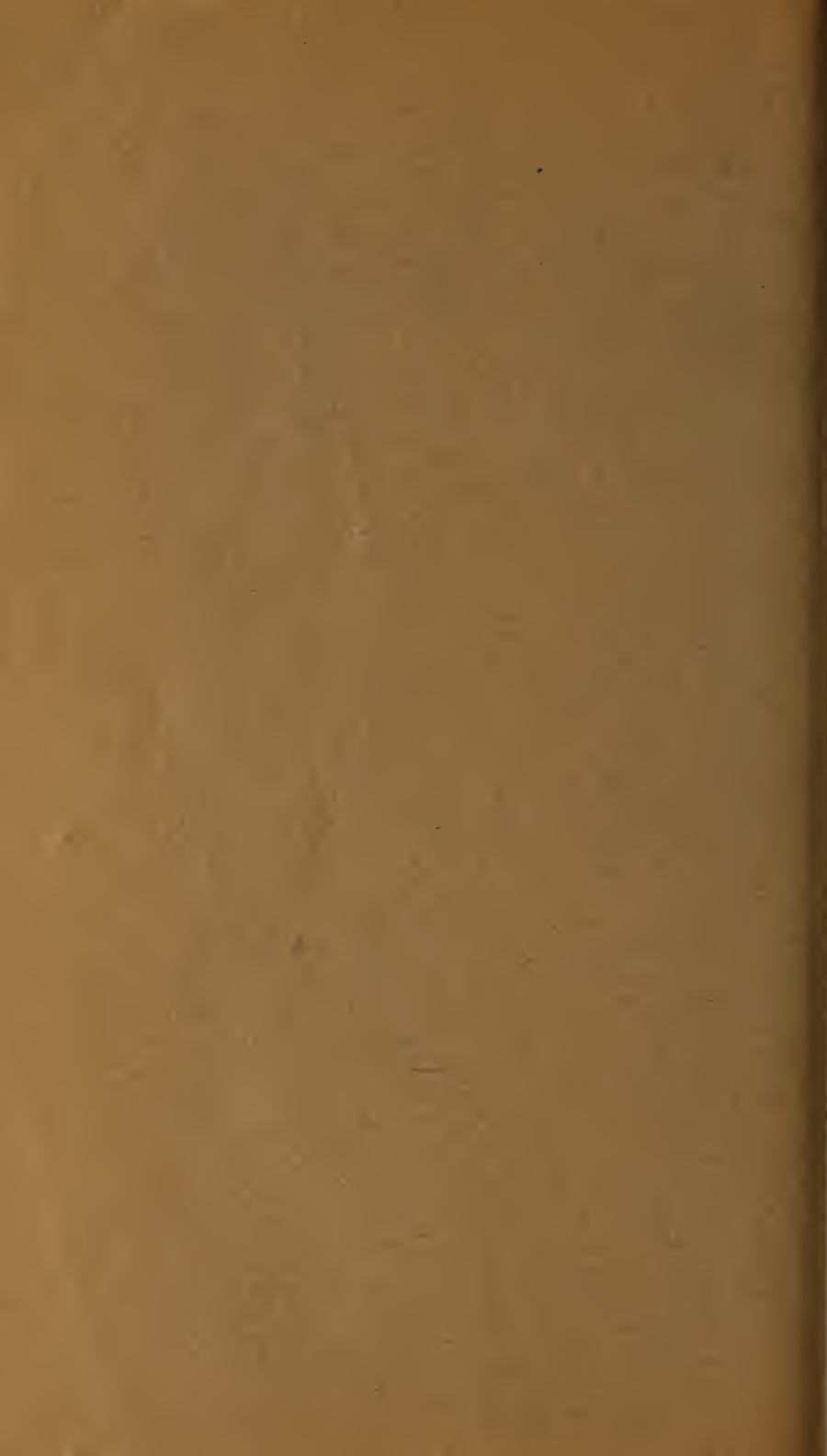
Champney, E. W.	Six Boys	j C 36 s
Drysdale, W.	Fast Mail	j D 84 f
Henty, G. A.	Under Drakes Flag	j H 39 u
Humphreys, M. G.	Boys Catlin	j H 81 bo
Houston, Prof. E. J.	Boy Geologist	j H 81 b
Mason, E. W.	Four Feathers	j M 38 p
Ray, Annie Chapin.	Sidney at College	j R 21 st
Richards, Nina.	Brave Little Peggy	j R 39 b
Richards, Laura.	Peggy	j R 39 p
Smith, Mary W.	Four on a Farm	j Sm 5 f
Stratemyer, E.	Dave Porter's Classmate	j St 8 d
Tomlinson, E. T.	Mad Anthoneys Young Scout	j T 59 m
White, C. G.	Nina's Career	j W 62 n
True, J. P.	Scouting for Washington	j T 76 s
Nicolay, Helen.	Boys Life of Grant	j 920



1911
REPORT
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS OF
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TOWN OFFICERS

For the Year Ending March 1. 1911

TOWN CLERK

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1913

SELECTMEN

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1911

J. WARREN MOULTON

Term expires 1913

THOMAS P. O'HERRON

Term expires 1912

ASSESSORS

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1911

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1913

CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

Term expires 1912

OVERSEERS OF POOR

DAVID F. SMITH

Term expires 1911

JOHN W. MUNROE

Term expires 1913

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1912

TREASURER, EDWIN H. CROSBY

COLLECTOR, JOHN W. MUNROE

TREASURER, PRO TEM., H. EDWARD WHEELER

WATER COMMISSIONERS

EDWARD VINER

Term expires 1912

GEORGE H. MILES

Term expires 1913

CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

Term expires 1911

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1911

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1913

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1912

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM E. CHAMBERLAIN

Term expires 1913

DAVID P. BUTLER

Term expires 1911

WALTER A. WHEELER

Term expires 1912

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1913

MRS. MARY E. CONVERSE

Term expires 1911

MRS. SARA B. DRURY

Term expires 1912

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR, FRANK D. FORBUSH

AUDITOR, CLIFFORD J. GRAY

TREE WARDEN, FRANK D. FORBUSH

CONSTABLES

LOUIS M. HANFF J. WARREN MOULTON †ANDREW S. CHARTER

*PETER S. O'CONNOR

*GEORGE E. SHARPE

*Resigned

†Did not qualify

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

JOSEPH E. WARE

MILES E. GRIFFIN

ARTHUR E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

JOSEPH E. WARE

HOMER B. LOVERIN

HORACE E. SMITH

POUND KEEPER, PETER S. O'CONNOR

CATTLE INSPECTOR, GEORGE S. PUTNAM

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, LOUIS M. HANFF

FENCE VIEWERS

EMORY LAWRENCE

WESTON R. UPHAM

MATTHEW DELEHANTY

SOLDIERS BURIAL AGENT, ROLAND C. PRESCOTT

DOG OFFICER, DENNIS A. SMITH

MOTH INSPECTOR, H. EDWARD WHEELER

SPECIAL POLICE

GEORGE H. MILES

GEORGE S. PUTNAM

WALTER C. BROWN

DENNIS A. SMITH

GEORGE C. ERSKINE

JOHN W. MCGANN

WILLARD J. TURNER

FRED J. TUCKER

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

WALTER C. BROWN

WILLARD J. TURNER

FRANK B. BACON

WARRANT

FOR

Town Meeting, March 27, 1911

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To EITHER of the Constables of the Town of Rutland in the County of Worcester.

Worcester, ss.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in the town hall, in said Rutland, on the twenty-seventh day of March inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the annual reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for one Selectman for three years, for one Assessor for three years, for one Overseer of Poor for three years,

for a Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for one Water Commissioner for three years, for one School Committee for three years, for one member of Board of Health for three years, for one Library Trustee for three years, for Highway Surveyor for one year, for Auditor for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, for five Constables for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may close at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for sup-

port of poor, for salaries of town officers, for use on Memorial Day, for contingent expenses, for paying debts and interest, for employment of school physician, for use of public library, for enforcement of the liquor laws.

ART. 8 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the water department on account of hydrant service.

ART. 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for maintenance of street lights, or take any action in relation to street lighting, or appoint any committee thereon.

ART. 10 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay the corporate surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for repairs on the public building.

ART. 12 To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes and Treasurer.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for use of teams for fires and forest fires.

ART. 14 To see if the town will vote to appropriate any unexpended balances of appropriations there may be, the coming year, also any unappropriated money received by the treasurer.

ART. 15 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for work done in exterminating the gypsy and brown tail moth.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to build a fire proof vault for the safe keeping of the town records, as required to do by the commissioner of public records, and appropriate money to pay for the same.

ART. 17 To see if the town will vote to build an addition to the Public Building, to be used for school room and town officers rooms, and authorize the Treasurer to borrow a sum of money, under the approval of the Selectmen, for the same, or act anything relative thereto.

ART. 18 To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to take the necessary steps to make the private way on lands owned by Eldula Edson, in Rutland Center, a public highway.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of the town. One at each post-office, one at store at North Rutland and one at the public building in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	}	<i>Selectmen of Rutland</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,		
THOMAS P. O'HERRON,		

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The following table shows the census of the Town of Rutland from the year 1765 to 1910:

1765 Provincial Census,	1,090	1850 United States Census,	1,223
1776 " "	1,006	1860 " " "	1,076
1790 United States Census,	1,072	1870 " " "	1,024
1800 " " "	1,202	1880 " " "	1,059
1810 " " "	1,231	1890 " " "	980
1820 " " "	1,262	1900 " " "	1,334
1830 " " "	1,276	1905 Massachusetts Census,	1,713
1840 " " "	1,260	1910 United States Census,	1,743

BIRTHS

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths are recorded for the year 1910

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE
		1909
Frank Gilbert	Fred. W. and Emma G. (Goldthwait)	Hatstat April 5
Ford Kenneth	Henry M. and Kathryne (Bogle) Harris	Sept. 9
		1910
Gertrude Agnes	John E. and Margaret K. (Quinn) Kinsella	Jan. 5
Albert Irving	George M. and Julia (Blanchard) Davis	April 21
IN WORCESTER		
Frederick Montague	Clarence V. and Ruth (Montague) Murphy	April 22
IN BOSTON		
	Robert W. and Annie (Harris) Dill	June 3
James Francis	Paul and Anna (Quinn) Paris	July 13
Stillborn Male	_____	July 18
Morris Howard	Charles E. and Mary A. (Demond) Viner	July 30
Ellen	Michael and Mary E. (Carlson) McGann	Aug. 9
Anna Josephine	Joseph and Katherine E. (O'Loughlin) Cabana	Aug. 24
Robert Ivan	George A. and Margaret (O'Donnell) Graton	Sept. 22
Margaret Iola	George H. and Mary E. (McDonald) Miles	Sept. 22
Stillborn Male	_____	Sept. 25
Beatrice Adeline	Patrick and Beatrice M. (Saunier) Myers	Oct. 18
Kathryne Sarah	Patrick and Kathryne J. (Hickey) Fitzpatrick	Oct. 19

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
1910			
January 27	Patrick Conley Laura Nelson	Rutland	Gloucester Gloucester
June 1	William E. Chamberlain Bertha (Falconer) Sanborn	Boston	Rutland Lexington
June 11	Charles H. McLeod Annie M. N. Clough	Worcester	Rutland Rutland
June 29	John J. Murphy J. Helena Murphy	North Brookfield	Rutland North Brookfield
Sept. 23	Timothy F. McCarthy Caroline F. Larabee	New York City	Rutland New York City
Nov. 23	Chester L. Bruce Mary G. Burridge	Holden	Hudson Rutland
Dec. 17	William J. Blair Ethel C. Williams	Nantucket	Nantucket Rutland

DEATHS

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE	RESIDENCE
1909			y. m. d.	
Nov. 13	Walter Pyne Pulmonary Tuberculosis		40 — —	Southwick
May 14	Stillborn Male			Rutland,
1910				
Jan. 6	Lewis M. Bell Tubercular Meningitis		29 1 26	Beverly
Jan. 8	Henry V. Tyler Pulmonary Tuberculosis		29 — —	Lynn
Jan. 10	Daniel McCarthy Paralysis		75 — —	Rutland

DATE 1910	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
Jan. 13	Annie R. Miller	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	—	—	Auburn, Maine
Jan. 15	Ella B. McFeely	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	17	2	18	Beverly
Jan. 23	Dennis F. Ranger	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	38	—	—	Holyoke
Jan. 27	Alice D. Maynard	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	11	7	Whitman
Jan. 27	Premo J. Ferrie	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	—	—	Everett
Jan. 29	Robert Gleason	Hemorrhage from Stomach	—	—	3	Rutland
Jan. 30	Frank W. Sanderson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	8	23	Somerville
Feb. 5	Etta M. Randlett	Nephritis and shock from Surgical Operation	40	—	—	Quincy
Feb. 11	John F. Torpey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	26	—	20	Lowell
Feb. 14	Joseph Vincent	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	—	—	Provincetown
Feb. 17	Margaret A. Taylor	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	17	—	—	Fall River
Feb. 16	Chole E. Wesson	Chronic Bronchitis	88	3	25	Rutland
Feb. 20	Minnie M. Gates	Peritonitis	36	8	20	Rutland
Feb. 25	John J. Tyler	Consumption (at Greenfield)	32	—	—	Rutland
Mar. 7	Edward A. Carpenter	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	4	19	Douglas
Mar. 11	Frederick J. Ives	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	—	—	Middletown, Conn.
Mar. 13	Mary F. Coffey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	2	15	Quincy
Mar 16	Arthur L. Barlow	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	26	—	—	Burlington, Vt.

DATE 1910	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
Mar. 24	James English	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	61	7	24	Malden
Mar. 24	James Williams	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	—	—	Cambridge
Mar. 29	Peter Callaghan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	—	—	Manchester, N. H.
Mar. 29	Elizabeth R. Stone	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	1	11	Lynn
April 1	Walter F. Adams	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	36	10	19	Waltham
Mar. 7	Hilary Grose	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	—	—	Cambridge
Mar. 11	Harry Staine	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	—	—	Boston
April 13	Chester H. Moulton	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	6	22	Boston
April 16	Ethel L. Lyndon	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	26	5	28	Boston
April 16	Walter F. Allen	Heart Disease	54	2	30	Rutland
April 21	Florence E. Ralph	Hydro Pneumothorax	19	1	18	Hope, R. I.
April 25	Charles H. Ashworth	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	54	—	—	Mendon
May 3	Elsie P. Hatch	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	1	23	Portsmouth, N. H.
May 4	David E. Flynn	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	45	1	24	Concord, N. H.
May 17	Miles Holden	Diabetes and Heart Disease	59	9	7	Rutland
May 18	John F. Atkins	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	47	—	—	Boston
May 29	Patrick Smithwick	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	37	2	26	Somerville
May 31	Orville C. Cote	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	3	16	Haverhill

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1910						
June 22	James P. Finnegan Pulmonary Tuberculosis		37	9	—	Boston
June 22	Charles A. Henry Pulmonary Tuberculosis		46	4	15	Boston
June 24	Carrie Goble Pulmonary Tuberculosis		46	—	4	Boston
June 25	Irving C. Shea Laryngeal Tuberculosis		31	2	20	Winthrop
July 24	Isador Hoeing Odoema of Lungs		20	2	24	Summit, N. J.
July 25	William E. Holt Hemorrhage of Lungs		23	7	14	Boston
July 28	Robert Burns Pulmonary Tuberculosis		19	—	—	Boston
Aug. 1	James White (in Worcester) Myocarditis		77	—	—	Rutland
Aug. 19	Mary A. McPherson Pulmonary Tuberculosis		30	—	—	Newton
Aug. 30	Frank J. O'Neil Pulmonary Tuberculosis		21	6	21	Boston
Aug. 30	Edward A. Shields Pulmonary Tuberculosis		19	7	18	Worcester
Aug. 30	Kate S. Brown Hyperthropy of Heart		62	5	3	New York City
Sept. 3	John Begman Pulmonary Tuberculosis		48	—	—	Somerville
Sept. 6	Mary F. Breen Pulmonary Tuberculosis		33	11	—	Boston
Sept. 6	George H. Brier Pulmonary Tuberculosis		26	4	—	Boston
Sept. 11	Thomas A. Smith Pneumonia		47	—	—	Everett
Sept. 25	Stillborn Male		—	—	—	Cambridge
Oct. 12	Joseph Smith Pulmonary Tuberculosis		41	8	13	Barrington, R. I.

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1910						
Oct. 14	David P. Butler Endocarditis		36	4	6	Rutland
Oct. 25	Fannie L. Shelton Pulmonary Tuberculosis		36	8	4	Watertown
Oct. 31	Emory E. Lawrence Hyperthropy of Heart		51	—	11	Rutland
Nov. 15	Patrick Henry Pulmonary Tubeaculosis		43	11	20	Boston
Nov. 22	James P. McCarthy Pulmonary Tuberculosis		32	2	29	North Brookfield
Nov. 25	Joseph A. Whalen Pulmonary Tuberculosis		32	10	12	Boston
Dec. 1	Charles Blackmore Pulmonary Tuberculosis		33	4	6	Lynn
Dec. 2	Carl F. Haffner Pulmonary Tuberculosis		20	9	26	Boston
Dec. 7	Charles E. Lucas Pulmonary Tuberculosis		30	—	—	Salem
Dec. 19	James McKay Pulmonary Tuberculosis		70	—	—	Boston
Dec. 19	Llewellyn W. Maher Pulmonary Tuberculosis		40	6	12	Lowell
Dec. 20	William Canane Pulmonary Tuberculosis		21	2	17	Worcester
Dec. 22	Ernest Guertin Pulmonary Tuberculosis		43	8	27	Brockton
Dec. 22	Mae E. Lynch Pulmonary Tuberculosis		20	3	23	Lynn
Dec. 25	Thomas F. Mullen Pulmonary Tuberculosis		18	6	9	Brockton
Dec. 30	Adelard Dussault Pulmonary Tuberculosis		18	9	27	Taunton

DOGS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR 1910 :

Cash received for 103 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	\$206 00
Cash received for 12 Female Dogs @ \$5.00	60 00
Total	<u>\$266 00</u>
Less 115 fees @ 20¢	23 00
Paid County Treasurer	<u>\$243 00</u>

During the year 1910 there were 87 Resident Hunters Certificates issued.

The following Jury List was selected by the Selectmen in June 1910, and returned to the Town Clerk :

William H. Maynard	Howard S. Davis
Walter H. Bartlett	James Hammond
Frank D. Forbush	Homer B. Loverin
Thomas P. O'Herron	Arthur E. Coodding
George M. Taylor	Joseph M. Moulton
Matthew Cullen	Miles E. Griffin
Clarence T. Oliver	Lewis R. Bigelow
Matthew Delehanty	Joseph E. Ware
Arthur E. Sargent	

SPECIAL NOTICE.—As there are many omissions in the Town Records of Births from 1800 to 1860, the Town Clerk would appreciate any information from private records in the possession of Rutland citizens, especially records in Old Family Bibles.

Any person having such records please notify the Town Clerk that copies of such may be made by him.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Rutland, March 1, 1911.

Town Clerk

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1911

The report of the Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1911, is herewith submitted.

We have drawn orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$29,661.19, as follows:

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$1000 00	
Received from State one-half compensation		
Inspection of animals	44 50	
Total amount available		\$1044 50

TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff	\$38 75	\$38 75
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SELECTMEN

William C. Temple	\$70 00	
J. Warren Moulton	65 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	65 00	
		\$200 00

ASSESSORS

Dennis A. Smith	\$70 00	
Joseph E. Ware	65 25	
Charles J. Campbell	69 75	
		\$206 00

OVERSEERS OF POOR

David F. Smith	\$15 00	
John W. Munroe	12 00	
Joseph E. Ware	26 00	
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		\$53 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS

George H. Miles	\$10 00	
Charles J. Campbell	10 00	
Edward Viner	10 00	
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		\$30 00

COLLECTOR

John W. Munroe. taxes	\$ 25 25	
“ “ water rates	150 00	
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		\$175 25

TREASURER

Edwin H. Crosby	\$83 33	\$83 33
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AUDITOR

Clifford J. Gray	\$26 65	\$26 65
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REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff	\$10 00	
William C. Temple	8 00	
J. Warren Moulton	8 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	8 00	
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		\$34 00

ELECTION OFFICERS

Arthur E. Coddling	\$4 00	
George S. Putnam	4 00	
Matthew Delehanty	4 00	
Matthew J. Cullen	2 00	
Joseph E. Ware	4 00	
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		\$18 00

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

George S. Putnam	\$89 00	\$89 00
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CONSTABLES

Peter S. O'Connor	\$9 30	
Louis M. Hanff	6 50	
		\$15 80

DOG OFFICER

Dennis A. Smith	\$5 00	\$5 00
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Amount expended for town officers salaries	\$974 78
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Unexpended	69 72
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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$4200 00	
Receipts from all other sources	1925 10	
Total		\$6125 10
Orders drawn		6310 63
Overdrawn		185 53

(See report of School Committee)

POOR

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Received from other sources	6 50	
Total		\$506 50
Orders drawn		691 06
Overdrawn		184 56

(See report of Overseers)

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$1600 00	
Orders drawn	1609 18	
Overdrawn		\$9 18

(See report of Highway Surveyor)

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$50 00
Order drawn	50 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation (dog fund)	\$233 22
Orders drawn	216 20
Balance unexpended	\$17 02

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriated	\$25 00
Balance unexpended	\$25 00

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCOUNT

Paid George H. Miles, janitor	\$460 00
“ “ supplies	7 30
R. K. Pratt, coal	351 23
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	71 45
H. W. Calkins, drawing coal	27 78
“ “ wood	25 09
James Hammond, wood	8 17
Benj. Connor, labor	1 75
J. H. Bousquet, labor	10 50
L. M. Hanff	49 08
Rutland Grocery Co., oil and supplies	29 78
E. G. Higgins Co., window shades	11 78
Stone Underhill Heating Co., repairs	6 00
H. D. Bray, labor	2 00
Brewer & Co., supplies	4 81
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	\$1066 72
Of the foregoing account two-thirds or is charged to school account and one-third or is charged to public building.	\$711 15 355 57

DEBTS AND INTEREST

Appropriation		\$5000 00
Paid State of Mass., on water loan	\$1000 00	
“ “ on building loan	1000 00	
“ “ on refund loan	5000 00	
Peoples Savings Bank, on refund loan	2000 00	
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		\$4500 00
Peoples Savings Bank, temporary loan	\$2000 00	
Wor. County Institution, temporary loan	7000 00	
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		\$9000 00

INTEREST

Paid State of Massachusetts	\$1039 37	
Peoples Savings Bank	478 20	
Worcester County Institution	634 14	
Hersom Brothers	35 00	
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		\$2186 71
Total of orders drawn for notes and interest		\$15686 71
From this amount should be deducted the temporary loans paid of	\$9000 00	
The interest on the water loan assumed by the Water Department	715 63	
The Collector has received from interest on taxes	574 73	
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Total		\$10290 36
Which amount deducted from the orders, leaves		<hr/>
Appropriation		5000 00
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Balance overdrawn		\$396 35

REPAIRS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$300 00
Paid George W. Hudson, labor	\$2 00	
William H. Maynard, labor	17 86	
W. H. Sawyer Co., lumber	21 85	
B. F. Marsh, cement	20 90	
C. T. Oliver, labor	31 30	
P. S. O'Connor, teaming	9 95	
George H. Miles, plumbing	260 78	
E. Viner, gravel	25	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	2 14	
American Express Co., express	45	
Brewer & Co., painting material	6 50	
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		\$373 98
Credit by brick and old iron, etc., sold		32 30
Total		<hr/>
		\$341 68
Overdrawn	\$41 68	

SNOW AND INCIDENTALS

By vote of the town all unexpended balances together with all unappropriated money received by the Treasurer, are added to incidental appropriations.

Appropriation by town	\$1500 00	
School Physician, unexpended balance	25 00	
Town Officers, unexpended balance	69 72	
Rentals from Hall	232 30	
Received from State for loss of taxes on land	266 46	
Unappropriated money received by Treasurer	131 13	
Total amount available	<hr/>	\$2224 61

SNOW

Paid Charles Parker	\$5 00	
Frank Parker	5 00	
P. W. Meader	6 60	
James Hammond	11 00	
Ralph W. Hammond	2 70	
George E. Scott	10 90	
F. D. Forbush	11 00	
William Morasky	3 80	
J. E. Fiske	5 20	
H. R. Fiske	5 20	
J. J. Welch	23 55	
R. E. Matthews	3 60	
Edward Viner	80	
W. R. Upham	60	
George M. Taylor	33 25	
George H. Willis	33 81	
Dennis O'Herron	45 00	
Horace Davis	3 70	
H. W. Calkins	2 81	
B. W. Potter	19 85	
A. E. Coddling	1 08	
Ralph A. Gardner	60	
Deller Laton	2 40	
Hector Laton	1 80	
Meddy Maynard	1 80	
Dennis A. Smith & Son	7 60	
W. H. Maynard	6 70	
Warren G. Wales	5 60	
Total		\$260 95

INCIDENTALS

Paid E. H. Tripp, printing town reports	\$71 25
“ “ printing ballots	19 25
Wakefield Daily Item, dog blanks	2 75
John Shea, land damage	5 00
Louis M. Hanff, Treas. and Collectors bond	32 00
“ “ court expenses	46 99
E. H. Tripp, printing town officers supplies	32 00
Braman, Dow & Co., repairs on Library heating system	53 26
H. A. Hoit, M. D., birth return	25
H. Edward Wheeler, repairing walk	2 50
R. C. Prescott, death returns and burials	22 25
Rutland Grocery Co., tools and supplies	4 40
C. J. Gray, Auditor's postage	3 10
D. A. Smith, attending tax hearing	5 00
Hobbs Title Co., examining titles	5 00
W. H. Sawyer, lumber for bridge	7 88
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	25
John F. Graton, repairing fence	14 45
Wakefield Daily Item, moth notices	1 50
Wor. County Abstract Co., examining titles	10 45
Geo. E Stimpson, Board of Health supplies	4 15
C. T. Oliver, repairing hose house	16 87
Lester Prescott, carting ashes on sidewalk	3 00
E. H. Tripp, printing Valuation Reports	47 50
Arthur Sandersen, labor on sidewalks	1 25
Brewer & Co., bridge paint	6 00
Frank A. Smith & Son, insurance	14 40
Louis M. Hanff, insurance	36 00
“ “ dinner for election officers	6 00
H. Edward Wheeler, moth work	75 92
E. A. Graton, moth work	56 00

D. A. Smith, Assessors, postage and express	\$2 50	
Bureau of Statistics, certifying note	3 00	
J. E. Ware, maintaining watering trough	7 86	
E. H. Crosby, Treas., postage and stationery	7 86	
A. W. Brownell, Assessors supplies	4 85	
W. C. Temple, three trips to Boston and Worcester attending hearing and ar- ranging about notes	13 00	
L. M. Hanff, sealer weights and measures	3 50	
“ “ transmitting returns	46 50	
“ “ Agent Board of Health	10 00	
“ “ administering oaths to town officers	4 00	
“ “ express and postage	9 50	
Geo. H. Miles, care of public grounds	20 00	
For Soldiers Relief	20 00	
Henry Converse, appropriation for common	25 00	
“ “ and others, forest fires	110 37	
Town of Hubbardston, forest fires	36 50	
A. E. Coddington, “ “	4 60	
Lewis R. Bigelow, “ “	9 60	
Total incidentals		\$950 40
Snow bills		260 95
Total		\$1211 35
Amount not drawn		1013 36

To the Incidental balance of	\$1013 26	
can be added the tax overlayings	545 81	
Additional assessments	36 76	
The balance in favor of Water Department for twelve months	1275 32	
Total		\$2871 15
Deducted from this amount should be over- drawn appropriations as follows :		
Schools	\$185 53	
Poor	184 56	
Highway	9 18	
Debts and interest	396 35	
Repairs of public building	41 68	
Maintenance of public building not provided for	355 57	
Tax abatements, 1910	75 72	
		\$1248 59
Which leaves a balance in favor of the town, in its running expense the past year		\$1622 56

RECAPITULATION

Town officers	\$974 78	
Schools, including two-thirds public building	6310 63	
Poor	691 06	
Highways	1609 18	
State aid	312 00	
Memorial Day	50 00	
Water Department	1869 73	
Public Library	216 20	
Snow	260 95	
Incidentals	950 40	
Public Building, one-third account	355 57	
Debts and interest	15686 71	
Repairs on Public Buildings	373 98	
		\$29661 19

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

State Treasurer, water loan	\$16000 00
“ “ “ “	2000 00
Hersom Bros., “ “	1000 00
State Treasurer building loan	8000 00
“ “ refund loan	1000 00
Peoples Savings Bank, two-year loan	6000 00
“ “ “ temporary loan	5000 00
Wor. County Institution, refund loan	10000 00
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	\$49000 00

RESOURCES

Due from State aid	\$ 312 00
Unpaid water rents	424 47
Uncollected taxes in Collector's hands	10066 83
Cash in Treasurer's hands	6 10
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	\$10809 40
Net debt of town	\$38190 60

APPROPRIATIONS

	For 1910	Recommended For 1911
Town Officers	\$1000 00	\$1100 00
Public Schools	4200 00	4300 00
Support of poor	500 00	600 00
Highways	1600 00	1600 00
Memorial Day	50 00	50 00
Public Library	Dog Fund	Dog Fund
Snow and Incidentals	1500 00	1500 00
Debts and Interest	5000 00	5000 00
Repairs on building	300 00	100 00
Fires	100 00	100 00
Common	25 00	25 00
School Physician	25 00	25 00
Soldiers Relief		100 00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen of Rutland</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,	
THOMAS P. O'HERRON,	

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1911

PAID

Worcester City Hospital, for Mary Aldrich	\$21 57	
City of Worcester, for Byron Sprague, from Jan. 1, to April 1, 1910	45 00	
“ “ Rosa Rone, from Jan. 1, to April 1, 1910	45 00	
Charlton Ass. aid for Byron Sprague, from April 1, 1910 to Mar. 1, 1911	168 50	
“ “ aid for Rosa Rone, from April 1, 1910, to Mar. 1, 1911	168 51	
Warren Moulton, for aid for James White	27 00	
Town of Greenfield, for burial expenses of John Tyler	35 00	
“ “ professional services for John Tyler	4 50	
St. Vincent Hospital, for James White	51 78	
Transporting James White to Hospital	10 00	
R. C. Prescott, for burial of James White	20 00	
Town of Berlin, for aid for Samuel Stratton	52 00	
Charles Parker, for aid for Frank Forward	32 70	
P. S. O'Connor, for services	3 00	
Transporting a pauper to Tewksbury	6 50	
		\$691 06
Received from James White Estate		6 50
Total expense of supporting poor the past year		\$684 56

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID F. SMITH, } *Overseers*
JOHN W. MUNROE, } *of*
JOSEPH E. WARE, } *Poor*

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600.00) being the amount appropriated by the town for the repairs of road and bridges.

I give below the amount expended each month :

In the month of April	\$338 77	
May	401 53	
June	250 72	
August	66 40	
September	255 56	
October	190 90	
		\$1503 88
Lumber for bridges		76 25
Gravel		20 60
Tools and blacksmithing		8 45
		\$1609 18

THE LIST OF TOOLS BELONGING TO THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS :

2 road machines
1 plow
6 shovels
4 picks
1 stone hammer
2 iron bars
6 hoes
3 drills
1 fork
1 brush scythe

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK D. FORBUSH,
Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

The work of the Department has been about the same as last year. We have had only one large leak this year, and only a few small ones, making the expense in that line very small. The large leak was at the State Sanatorium, which they had to repair.

When this leak was repaired it was found that there was about 650,000 gallons going out per month, which will account for some the water that is not accounted for by the use of the patrons.

You will see by the report that we have 13 months credited to the Water Department from the State Sanatorium, we have done this so the Collector's and Registrar's accounts will agree hereafter.

We have at present 98 services

Number not metered 50

Number metered 48

We have pumped about 33,894,987 gallons

Greatest amount in one day 256,429 gallons

Greatest amount in one week 878,400 gallons

We have run through the meter at State Sanatorium 19,817,950 gals.

There has about 2,931,586 gallons gone through meters of town patrons.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Dr.

Braman, Dow Co.	\$50 26
New England Iron Works	10 00
Ben. Connor, labor on leak	75
Central Supply Co., supplies	6 57
Marsh Ice Co., coal screenings	23 50
W. M. Ramsey, inspector	7 00
H. Calkins, wood	6 25
John Cellee, labor on trench	3 20
Rutland Grocery Co., supplies	7 17
Jack Moriarty, labor on leak	88
Arthur Sanderson, labor on leak	2 00
John Connor, labor on trench	53 72
P. S. O'Connor, sharpening picks and drills	3 25
Williams' Express, dynnmite and express	2 05
Neptune Meter Co., meters	42 00
“ “ repairs	35
American Express Co.	1 15
Knowles Pump Works, repairs	12 06
E. Russell Norton, coal	431 87
Mike Scott, labor on leak	1 60
M. M. Smith, wood	10 00
Mike Nihin, labor on trench	28 65
Brewer & Co., supplies	1 45
E Viner, repairs at pumping station	28 26
“ “ labor, pumping	520 04
“ “ trucking	50

E. Viner, labor on leaks	\$ 4 89
“ “ labor on trench	1 38
“ “ repairs on watering tubs	1 01
“ “ for wood	5 00
B. & M. Railroad, freight	233 60
“ “ demurrage	11 00
F. B. Connor, drawing coal	17 80
P. W. Meader, drawing coal	126 10
R. K. Pratt, coal	136 50
O'Toole, labor on ditch	1 75
G. H. Miles, labor on leaks	5 39
“ “ blasting powder	60
“ “ turning of water	1 00
“ “ telephoning to Boston	35
“ “ fixing watering tub	1 25
“ “ work at pumping station	3 00
“ “ cash paid Mike Nihin	20
“ “ labor on new work	8 60
“ “ machine oil	1 00
“ “ postage	78
“ “ fixing meter	25
“ “ express	25
“ “ carting pipe	75
“ “ installing meters	2 50
“ “ freight	25
“ “ reading meters, etc.	25 00
“ “ Supt. salary	25 00
Interest on water loan	715 63
Total expended	<u>\$2585 36</u>

Cr.

Bill rendered State Sanatorium for 13 months from Jan. 1, 1910 to Feb 1, 1911	\$2636 11
Bills rendered J. W. Munroe, collector for town patrons, from Jan. 1, 1910 to Jan. 1, 1911	1346 26
Bills rendered for pipe fittings and all extras besides water	70 61
Meters on hand	33 60
From Town appropriation, for hydrant	350 00
“ “ public building	20 00
“ “ watering tubs	10 00
“ “ cemetery fountain	10 00
	<hr/> \$4476 58
Bills approved for year ending Mar. 1, 1911	2585 36
Balance in favor of town	<hr/> \$1891 22
Amount of bills rendered for collection	<hr/> \$4052 98
Amount of bills paid to March 1, 1911	2585 36
Making cash balance of	<hr/> \$1467 62

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. MILES,

Superintendent

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation		\$233 22
Paid Librarian, salary	\$100 00	
E. H. Tripp, printing	2 50	
Denholm & McKay Co., books	113 70	
		\$216 20
Balance unexpended		\$17 02
The Librarian has received from fines, etc.	\$6 65	
and has paid for express and supplies	4 85	
Balance in her hands		\$1 80

Number of books circulated the past year was 4198.

The following organizations have generously contributed to purchase material for the reading table:

The Firemen	\$10 00	
Ladies' Union	2 00	
Christian Endeavor	1 50	
The Grange	3 00	
Home Relief	3 00	
		\$19 50

And the following named persons have contributed Magazines.

Mrs. Menges	Mrs. Converse
Mrs. Drury	Mrs. Catherine Munroe
	C. W. Dodge

About one hundred volumes of new books have been purchased the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, } *Trustees*
SARA B. DRURY, } *of*
MARY A. CONVERSE, } *Library*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Edwin H. Crosby, Treasurer, in account with the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, Mass., for ten months to Feb. 1, 1911.

Dr.

Cash on hand March 1, 1910	\$287 86
Received of J. W. Munroe, Collector	16897 60
" " Overseer, Estate Jas. White	6 50
Geo. H. Miles, hall rents	183 30
" " old iron, etc.	12 30
" " bricks	20 00
Central District Court fines	14 68
Interest on bank deposits	16 00
State Treas., corporat'n tax, balance on last year	03
" " " " public service	3 31
" " " "	91 98
" " National Bank tax	1 63
" " State aid	358 00
" " Reimbursement for loss of taxes on land used for public institutions	266 46
" " High School tuition	500 00
" " Income School Fund	930 73
" " Transportation of paupers	1 50
" " One-half compensation in- spection of animals	44 50
County Treas., dog fund	222 34
Jesse Allen, Supt. Schools account	312 50
L. M. Hanff, School supplies	21
City of Boston, Tuition of children	169 00
Wor. County Ins. for Savings, temporary loan	2000 00
Peoples Savings Bank, temporary loan	4500 00
Boston & Maine R. R., freight claim	2 00
Discount on Water Department bill	40
Total	\$26843 03

Cr.

Paid State Treasurer, State tax	\$1045 00
“ “ Road tax	58 00
County Treasurer, County tax	675 00
Selectmen's orders	19643 08
H. Edward Wheeler, Treas. Pro-tem, Feb. 1, 1911	5421 95
Total	<u>\$26843 03</u>

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN H. CROSBY,*Treasurer*

H. Edward Wheeler, Treas. Pro tem, in account with the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, Mass.

Dr.

Received Cash on hand February 1, 1911	\$5421 95
J. W. Munroe, collector	4026 73
George H. Miles, hall rents	49 00
Edward H. Leonard, school supplies	66
Peoples Savings Bank, temporary loan	500 00
Interest on deposits	13 87
Town of Oakham, tuition	12 00
	<u>\$10024 21</u>

Cr.

Paid Selectmen's orders	\$10018 11
Cash on hand to balance	6 10
	<u>\$10024 21</u>

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

In Five Cent Savings Bank	\$100 00
Intrest accrued	4 04
	<u>\$104 04</u>
Paid W. C. Temple, Treas. Rural Cemetery Association	4 04
Balance in bank	<u>\$100 00</u>

Respectfully submitted

H. EDWARD WHEELER,*Treas., Pro tem*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Ending March 1, 1911

		Paid Treas.	Unpaid
1903 Taxes committed	\$52 72	\$50 72	\$2 00
1904 "	64 51	56 51	4 00
1905 "	37 97	9 77	28 20
1906 "	111 23	76 65	34 58
1907 "	548 39	272 64	275 75
1908 "	3458 94	1715 53	1743 42
1909 "	8011 25	5275 32	2735 93
1910 "	14690 66	9447 73	5242 93
	<u>\$26971 68</u>	<u>\$16904 87</u>	<u>\$10066 81</u>

	Interest		Abatements
1903	\$13 68		
1904 "	10 70	"	\$4 00
1905 "	1 23		
1906 "	17 24		
1907 "	68 61		
1908 "	185 37	"	11 25
1909 "	240 66	"	18 25
1910 "	37 24	"	42 12
	<u>\$574 73</u>		<u>\$75 72</u>

WATER ACCOUNT

Bills Received		Paid	Unpaid
Jan. 1, 1909 to July 1, 1909	\$13 88	\$13 88	
July 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910	237 42	152 70	\$84 72
Extras	45 58	39 38	6 20
Jan. 1, 1910 to July 1, 1910	670 67	559 13	111 54
July 1, 1910 to Jan. 1, 1911	675 59	457 16	218 43
Extras	25 03	21 45	3 58
	<u>\$1668 17</u>	<u>\$1243 70</u>	<u>\$424 47</u>
Sanatorium 12 months ending Mar. 1, 1911		2443 81	
		<u>\$3687 51</u>	
Old water bills	413 18	13 66	399 54
		<u>\$3701 17</u>	

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MUNROE,

Collector .

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Water Commissioners and Selectmen, and found them to be correct.

CLIFFORD J. GRAY,

Rutland, March 14, 1911

Auditor

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the year ending March 1, 1911

STATISTICS

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age, as per school census September 1, 1910	206
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1910	256
Average membership for the year	223
Average attendance for the year	201.3
Per cent. of attendance	91
For the attendance by schools and terms, see the statistical table in the Superintendent's report.	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS

Town appropriation	\$4200 00	
State for Superintendent	312 50	
State, for High School	500 00	
State, Income Mass. School Fund	930 73	
City of Boston, tuition and transportation	169 00	
Received for supplies	87	
Town of Oakham, tuition	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$6125 10
Overdrawn		185 53
		<hr/> \$6310 63

TOTAL EXPENSE OF MAINTAINING SCHOOLS

Salaries of teachers	\$3109 10
Transportation	1570 30
Supervision	460 00
Books and supplies	258 55
Repairs	71 96
Janitors	352 05
Fuel	423 15
Sundries	65 52

 \$6310 63

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS SALARIES

Edward H. Leonard, Principal High School	\$897 50
Miss Edith Peck, Asst. High School	176 00
Miss Mary Harwood, Asst. High School	240 00
Miss Edith W. Smith, Center Grammar	127 60
Miss Evelyn M. Morrow, " "	121 00
Miss Mildred Munsey, " "	44 00
Miss Marguerite Coydevant, " "	77 00
Miss Eva Allen, Center Intermediate	242 00
Miss Nellie K. Bishop, " "	132 00
Miss Bessie Bartlett, " Primary	374 00
Miss Katheryne McGrath, North Rutland	350 00
Miss Carlotta E. Hoenemann, West Rutland	108 00
Miss Helen Moran, West Rutland	220 00

 \$3109 10

TRANSPORTATION

Matthew Cullen	\$360 80
Horace E. Smith	291 60
Dennis A. Smith	293 40
Weston R. Upham	244 50
Deler Laton	165 00
Mrs. Julia Davis	168 00
George H. Rice	46 00
Lyman A. Baker	1 00

 \$1570 30

SUPERVISION

Charles L. Randall, Superintendent	\$400 00	
Louis M. Hanff School Committee	25 00	
Dennis A. Smith " "	10 00	
William C. Temple " "	10 00	
George S. Putnam, school census	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$460 00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

E. E. Babb & Co.	\$77 68	
J. L. Hammett & Co.	90 00	
American Book Co.	24 41	
Ginn & Co.	54 04	
Knott Apparatus Co.	5 72	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	3 20	
D. C. Heath & Co.	2 00	
Orville Brewer & Co.	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$258 55

JANITORS

George H. Miles, Center Schools	\$320 00	
Francis Ware, West Rutland	16 50	
Roy Handy, North Rutland	3 50	
Mrs. Julia Davis, North Rutland	12 05	
	<hr/>	\$352 05

FUEL

Center two-thirds fuel and sundries	\$391 15	
Joseph E. Ware, West Rutland	21 00	
George M. Davis, North Rutland	11 00	
	<hr/>	\$423 15

REPAIRS

William H. Jefferson, shingles	\$46 68	
A. C. Coddington, labor and material	20 28	
Duncan & Goodell Co., coat hooks	2 00	
C. T. Oliver, labor	3 00	
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		\$71 96

SUNDRIES

Charles L. Randall, postage, office supplies, etc.	\$16 19	
Louis M. Hanff, postage, express, telephone, etc.	5 75	
F. S. Conant, repairing blocks	2 00	
Walter Sargent, cleaning West Rutland School	2 91	
Addie Blanchard, cleaning, No. Rutland school	3 15	
Freight, express and supplies	3 50	
C. H. Batchelder & Co., canvas for stools	4 00	
H. D. Bray, washing windows, W. Rutland	1 75	
George H. Miles, cash paid for repairing furnace	1 75	
Denholm & McKay Co., water coolers, pails, etc.	16 32	
Mrs. Elsie L. Nourse, washing towels	2 20	
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		\$59 52

STATE SCHOOL FUND

Received from State Treasurer	\$930 73
Transferred to general account for school bills	930 73

SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and reported as follows:

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	119	
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	87	
	<hr/>	206
Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	93	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	86	179

REPAIRS

The town appropriated \$300 for repairs or alterations on the Public Building. The entire amount and a little more was used in making a change in the school lavatories, doing away with the crematory system which had been condemned by the State Building Inspector.

The change was made at the suggestion of the State Inspector, and was approved by him upon completion.

The account of expense on this work is:

Town appropriation	\$300 00	
Received from sale of old brick	20 00	
“ “ old iron and cement	12 30	
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		\$332 30
Overdrawn		41 68
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		\$373 98
Paid G. H. Miles, plumbing work and material	\$260 78	
C. T. Oliver, carpenter work	31 30	
Marsh & Co., cement	20 90	
Wm. H. Maynard, mason work	17 86	
W. H. Sawyer, lumber	21 85	
P. S. O'Connor, teaming	9 95	
E. Viner, gravel	25	
B. & M. R. R., freight	2 14	
American Express Co.	45	
Brewer & Co., varnish and shellac	6 50	
George W. Hudson, labor	2 00	
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		\$373 98

CALENDAR—1911-12

SPRING TERM—April 3 to June 23, inclusive, 12 weeks.

FALL TERM—High School, beginning August 28, grades Sep. 5 to Nov. 24, inclusive, 13 and 12 weeks.

WINTER TERM—Dec. 4 to Dec. 22, inclusive, 3 weeks. Jan. 1 to Feb. 16, inclusive, for grades, and to March 22, inclusive, for High School.

Making 34 weeks for the Grades and 40 weeks for the High School.

Your Committee has been obliged to overdraw the appropriation by about \$185, which is accounted for by the increase of the Center Building expense over last year over \$170.

To offset this there is over \$100 worth of coal on hand.

The schools in the Center have for several years been overcrowded, additional school room must be provided, the report of Superintendent Randall gives several plans for providing this room.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS A. SMITH, WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, LOUIS M. HANFF,	}	<i>School Committee</i>
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Rutland, March 1, 1911.

REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden, Mass., March 7, 1911

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF RUTLAND,

GENTLEMEN :

In my third annual report I wish to review briefly the work of the past year and the present condition of the schools, and present in some detail the urgent need of better school accommodations in the immediate future at the center.

Subjoined to this report and forming a part of it will be found the reports of the High School Principal and School Physician, the Table of Statistics, and the Roll of Honor, for all of which I ask your careful consideration.

TEACHERS AND SCHOOLS

Four teachers have left our schools during the past year, several others have served in the Grammar School for a short period only during the present school year. Of these teachers one had been identified with the town for three years and deserves especial mention. Miss Nellie K. Bishop is a superior teacher; it was with genuine regret that her resignation was received, though we congratulate her upon her appointment to a better position.

The strength of the schools is in their teachers, we can improve the quality of our schools only when we are able to offer such inducements to good teachers that they will be willing to remain with us for more than one year, constant changes will destroy both the good work and the discipline of any school.

The result of a more liberal policy in regard to salaries may be seen by all in our own High School. By increasing the salary of the High School Principal sufficient to secure a competent man, the school has at once become successful. A similar course should be followed in the Grammar School, you would immediately see satisfactory results; believe me, it would be a good investment.

Your teachers in service at the present time are doing very commendable work. The High School, the Primary and Intermediate, and both districts are in good condition. The Grammar School has been a constant problem, not because of the unruly nature of the pupils, they are no worse than other boys and girls of like ages, but because of the large numbers in the room, and because the appropriation has not allowed us to employ an experienced teacher with an established record as a good manager. We have been obliged to hire either an experienced teacher who has never made a success or a young teacher with no experience. Miss Marguerite Coydevant, a graduate of Boston University, who completed the last term as a substitute teacher in this school, made an excellent beginning and will, I hope, remain the next term as the regular teacher.

I recommend, then, in the center schools the paying of such salaries as will attract teachers of a few years experience, and will enable us to retain them for several years. It will further enable us to promote, both in position and salary, such young teachers as have had a year's successful experience in our districts.

HIGH SCHOOL

At the beginning of the school year the course of studies of the high school was revised, and a printed copy placed in the hands of each pupil. This is a valuable step, as it systematizes the high school work and allows the pupil to make his choices of studies to better advantage. This course of studies will be printed after the report of the high school principal.

It will be advisable to equip a room in the basement as a laboratory, it is now recognized that a science room is as necessary for high school work as any other recitation room.

INCREASE OF SCHOOL YEAR

It would be a great benefit to the schools of this town if the school year could be increased in the common schools to thirty-six weeks, it would too, to a slight extent, be equivalent to an increase in salaries for the teachers. I recommend such an increase.

MUSIC

For two years I have advocated employing a special teacher of music. I will not repeat what I said in my report of last year but will again call your attention to page 46 of 1909 Report. If it is impossible to hire both a competent regular teacher and a music teacher, then I say give me the more efficient regular teacher, but the town which fails to enable the school board to give the pupils the benefit of this musical training is making a grievous and irremediable mistake. The cost for this town would be \$170 per year, with perhaps an expenditure the first year of \$50 for books.

VACCINATION

The following statute, without the exception, has been a school law since 1855. The exception dates from 1898:

"A child who has not been vaccinated shall not be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certificate granted for cause stated therein, signed by a regular practising physician that he is not a fit subject for vaccination."

State Agent, George H. Martin, in a recent report says : " Nothing could be plainer or more mandatory, yet outside the cities the enforcement by school authorities has been singularly lax. One of the salutary effects of medical inspection is the new life which it has put into this old law."

All parents who have children approaching the school age should see that this law is complied with.

BETTER SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS

If you will glance at the table of statistics under the columns headed Total Enrollment and Present Enrollment, you will see that there have been in the three center schools during the present school year 152 pupils, and that there are now 131, the decrease being mainly among the first grade pupils in the primary room who withdraw from school in the winter term.

The burden placed upon the teachers is far greater than they should be required to bear; the difference in nerve strain upon a teacher with 35 pupils and with 45 is almost inconceivable. When the teacher is distraught and overtired she cannot do for her school what she is expected to do. So it is virtually for the pupils and not for the teacher that I am urging this matter.

The law obliges us to place an assistant teacher in a room which has 50 pupils. Several times this has become necessary, but at the best it is a poor plan, it simply covers the law. Two teachers cannot work to advantage in a school unless there is a recitation room.

To hire an assistant then from time to time, placing her in the room where there are over 50 pupils, is but to temporize. What difference whether there be 48 pupils in a room or 51? In both cases the room is overcrowded and the teacher is overworked, to the consequent detriment of the pupils.

Let us face the issue squarely, we need more room.

This congested condition of the schools seems permanent and must be relieved. The results of it are more manifest in the grammar room, on account of the of the age of the pupils, but are very much the same in the other two rooms.

A permanent relief can be granted only by obtaining another room and forming another school, thereby making four schools below the high school. Even with four schools each school will be large, as there would be from 32 to 38 pupils in a room, certainly all that should be given to a teacher.

Several agents of the State Board of Education have expressed surprise that no plan had been adopted for relieving the congested condition of these three schools.

PROPOSED PLANS FOR RELIEF

If then it is plain that this condition is permanent and that some means should be found for alleviating it, let us consider what action it is possible for the town to take. Upon careful consideration during the past year three plans appear feasible, two of which would give permanent relief and one only temporary.

These proposed plans are :

First.—To build a new high school house, leaving all the school rooms in the town building for the use of the common schools.

Second.—To build an addition on to the East side of the present building.

Third.—To build a one-room or “district” school house in that section of the town from which the largest number of scholars are now transported, opening a third rural school.

Irrespective of price the first plan is the best, there should be a new high school building. It will be the ideal solution of the difficulty and will prove most beneficial to the high school, increasing efficiency of the school, and without doubt increasing the numbers.. It will

too allow the use of the present high school room for the opening of the fourth school, and will give the recitation room for other purposes, as for example, the use of the Town Officers, thereby allowing the use the present basement room for the location of the vault which must necessarily be built.

This solution, as I have said, is ideal but would cost at the lowest estimate \$15000. If the town feels able to assume the expense then I most heartily recommend this plan, viz. Plan I.

The third plan, that of opening another district school, would I fear hardly pay. The relief would be but slight, some seven or eight from each room, and might come in such a way that the room which was most crowded would lose to the new district the fewest pupils. Furthermore, it is likely that even with a school house placed in the South section of the town, it would still be necessary to transport some of the pupils. Therefore I would dismiss this plan, Plan III, as possible but not advisable.

The second plan proposed, that of building an annex on to the east side of the town building has much in its favor. It is comparatively inexpensive. It would not deface the architecture of the building. It would allow a good room for opening a fourth school. It would allow a room for the use of town officers. It would give opportunity for building a vault in the basement room, also for fitting up a portion of this room as a laboratory.

Considering expense as well as practicability I recommend this plan, Plan II, to you, and through you to the citizens of Rutland.

STATISTICS

I am pleased to note that there is a slight increase in the per cent. of attendance over the record of last year. The average per cent. in the State is I think 91.

Regular attendance on all school sessions is a most important habit for pupils to form. Parents and guardians can do much for the child if they impress upon him the fact that nothing but ill health must keep him from school. Teachers and parents are requested to encourage the pupils to strive to have their names on the Honor Roll.

I saw in a recent report the name of a child who had been perfect in attendance for nine years. The few words stating this fact speak volumes both for child and parents.

In closing allow me to express appreciation of the unfailing loyalty of the teachers and support of the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. RANDALL,

Superintendent

REPORT OF

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

DEAR SIR:

In my report at this time last year I could express only my impressions and my hopes for the future. Since then I have had an opportunity to become acquainted with the school and its members and can now speak from experience.

The handicap that was bound to attend the change of teachers in the middle of the year was largely overcome by the attitude of the pupils. From the first they showed an earnestness and endeavor that had to bring results. The close of school in the spring found the three classes in excellent condition, having made good progress and being in shape to begin this new year well.

These three classes have continued to show the same grade of scholarship and the class that entered last fall has followed their example, so that throughout the school there is now an atmosphere of study and ambition that must bring the rank of the school to a higher plain. We have all worked and are working to get the greatest possible result and to make each day count for something thereby moving toward a great and enviable result.

Next June a class will graduate prepared to take, with creditable, results, examinations for normal schools or colleges. Four of the class have already signified their intention of taking such examinations and others may do so. This means that the Rutland High School now offers a course that is a college preparatory course. It is no longer necessary for its graduates to go to another secondary school to complete their preparation.

No small amount of the improvement of the school is due to the course of study adopted this fall. With this systematized course a change of teachers will not mean a change of plan though it may bring a change of methods. The advantage of this system should be shown more by the class of 1912 than by the class of 1911 as they will have enjoyed the advantage of it for a longer period, and the same thing should be true of the two classes below 1912.

While there has been improvement in the studies there has also been an improvement in the attendance. With one or two exceptions the attendance has been much better this year than it was last year, but unfortunately the exceptions have been so bad they have made themselves felt in the general averages.

The attendance at school is a habit, and a habit acquired long before a pupil reaches the high school. If a pupil is allowed to remain at home every day he feels, or thinks he feels, a little indisposed he soon acquires the habit and when once acquired it is hard to outgrow. The attendance in the grades and especially the grammar grades has been far from satisfactory this year, though better than it was last year, and many of the absences have been quite unnecessary. Every day missed means something lost and though the loss may not be felt at the time it is certain to be felt later. For this reason I most earnestly solicit the cooperation of the parents in this matter as it is to the advantage of their own children to be regular in attendance.

At present the most urgent need of the school is better facilities for experimental work in Physics and Chemistry. The supply of apparatus now in use is very meager and the accommodations are of the rudest sort. There is in the basement ample space for a laboratory and at a comparatively small outlay the efficiency of the school could be greatly increased. I would recommend the equipping of such a room at the earliest possible date and the addition of a small amount of apparatus from year to year.

The lengthening of the course last year has made it necessary for us to get additional text books that were not used previously, and in order to keep the expense as low as possible we have tried to get along with some books already in use that should have been replaced. Some of the sets now in use are in poor condition and will have to be repaired or replaced before another year.

Unfortunately few who read this report will be personally acquainted with conditions in the schools. In the year that has just passed NOT A PARENT of a high school pupil, aside from school officials, has visited the School. This is a cause of regret to me as I am sure that if the parents were more intimately acquainted with the school it would be an additional incentive to the pupils. Even at this late date some parents do not know that the pupils of the high school are expected to do part of their studying at home.

Last fall we made a beginning in athletics. These had a double aim; to develop the contestants, and to arouse interest in the school both from within and from without. In both we have been successful thus far and I hope the work may continue in the spring and in years to come.

To sum up I would say that the Rutland High School has reached the high school rank and everything points to the continuation of the present progress. Each year should see a class graduate prepared for college. While this need not be the aim of a high school

course a pupil who has reached it is pretty sure to have received the greatest benefit from his course. With a little more assistance from the parents the individual efforts in a few cases would be improved and the corresponding results would be better. For this reason I intend to send reports at short intervals to parents whose children are not doing satisfactory work and who for this reason are in danger of not being promoted in the spring.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEONARD,

Principal

Course of Study in the High School

FIRST YEAR

rAlgebra, 5 periods	Latin, 4 periods
rEnglish, 3 periods	Physics, 4 periods
rRhetoricals, 1 period	English History, 3 periods
rDrawing, 1 period	

Periods, 16—20

SECOND YEAR

rGeometry, 5 periods	History, General, 3 periods										
rEnglish, 3 periods	Drawing, 1 period										
Latin, 4 periods	French or German, 4 periods										
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Simple Laws of Business											
Penmanship											

(May unite with 3d year)

Periods, 16—20

THIRD YEAR

rEnglish, 3 periods	History, Greek and Roman, 3 periods
rRhetoricals, 1 period	Drawing, 1 period
French or German, 4 periods	Latin, 4 periods
Chemistry, 3 periods	Business, 4 periods (See 2d year)

Periods, 16—20

FOURTH YEAR

rEnglish, 3 periods	History, Advanced American, 3 periods			
rRhetoricals, 1 period	Mathematics, (College) 2½ periods			
Latin, 4 periods	SCIENCE { <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Advanced Physics or</td> <td rowspan="2">} 3 periods</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Advanced Chemistry</td> </tr> </table>	Advanced Physics or	} 3 periods	Advanced Chemistry
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Advanced Chemistry				
French or German, 4 periods	Agriculture or Household Economics, 3 periods			

Periods, 16—20

NOTES:—All candidates for graduation must have secured at least 64 points.

Each pupil must choose enough electives to make at least 16 points per year

Graduation "points" are equal to the number of periods per week of a study

French and German alternate years

"r" means required, all other studies elective

TABLE OF STATISTICS

SCHOOL	TEACHER	PREPARATION	Number of weeks service in year									
			Total Enrollment	Present Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Number of Visits	Number of Visitors	Number of Pupils 7 to 14		
HIGH	Edward H. Leonard	Dartmouth*	40									
	Mary L. Harwood	Smith*		40	35	37.7	38.8	96	37	14	5	
	Edith G. Peck	Boston University*										
GRAMMAR	Edith G. Smith	Gorham Normal*	12									
	Everlyn Morrow	Vermont Normal*	12	47	46	45	41	91	29	7	40	
	Mildred R. Munsey	Bates College*	3									
	Marguerite Coydevant	Boston University*	7									
INTERMEDIATE	Nellie K. Bishop	Framingham Normal*	12	50	45	45.2	41	91	25	14	44	
	Eva S. Allen	Cushing Academy*	22									
PRIMARY	Bessie H. Bartlett	Wheelock Kindergarten*	34	55	42	45.5	40.5	89	36	18	32	
WEST	Carlotta Hoeneemann	Millis High*	12									
	Helen G. Moran	Worcester Normal*	22	25	19	22	17.8	90	?	9	16	
NORTH	Katharine S. McGrath	Worcester Normal*	34	39	21	27.5	25.2	92	10	3	?	

NOTES. *Indicates Graduates. ?Indicates not filled in Teacher's Report.

Figures taken from Record since September.

"Present Enrollment" means February 25, 1911.

ROLL OF HONOR

ONE YEAR

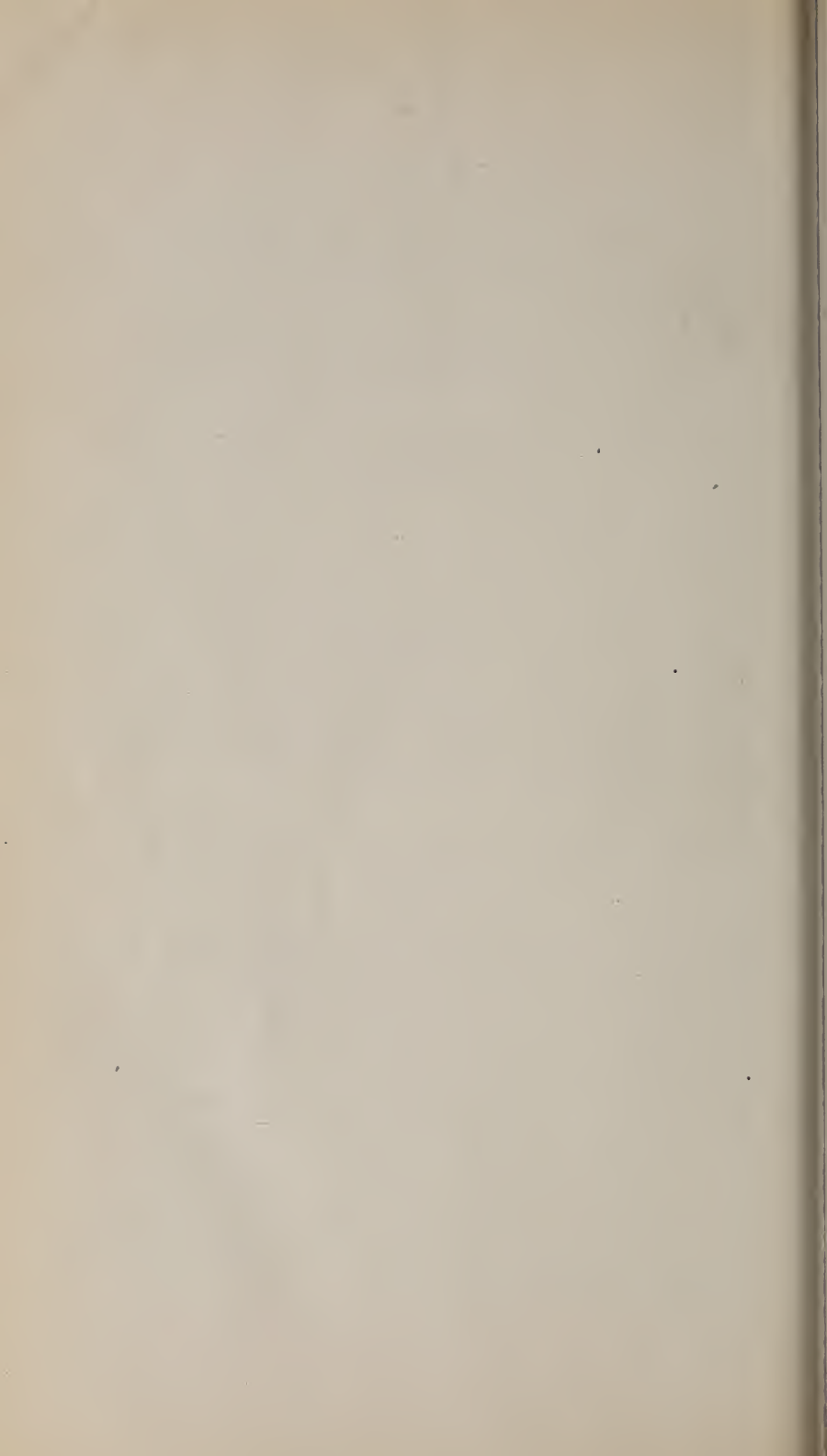
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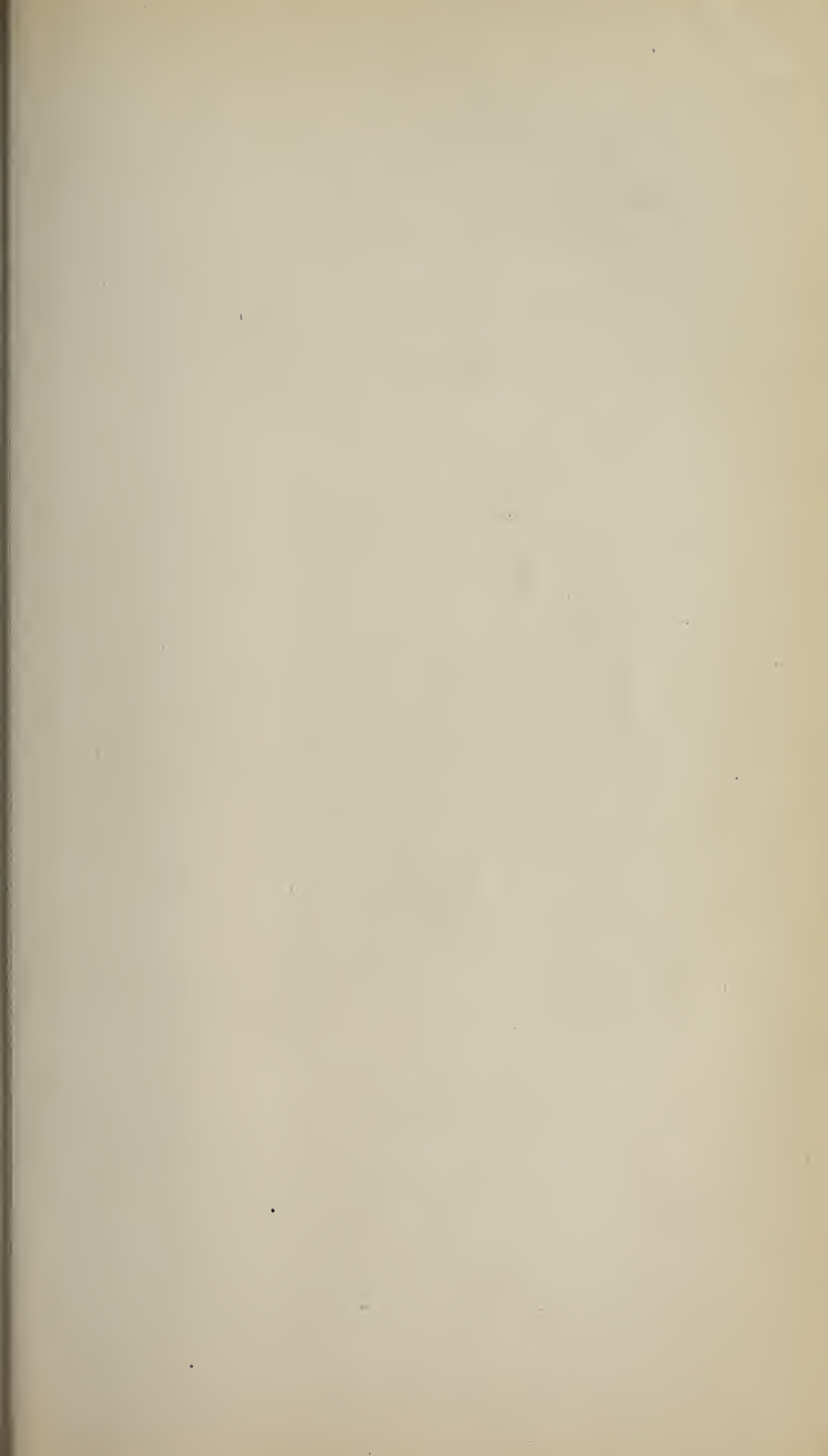
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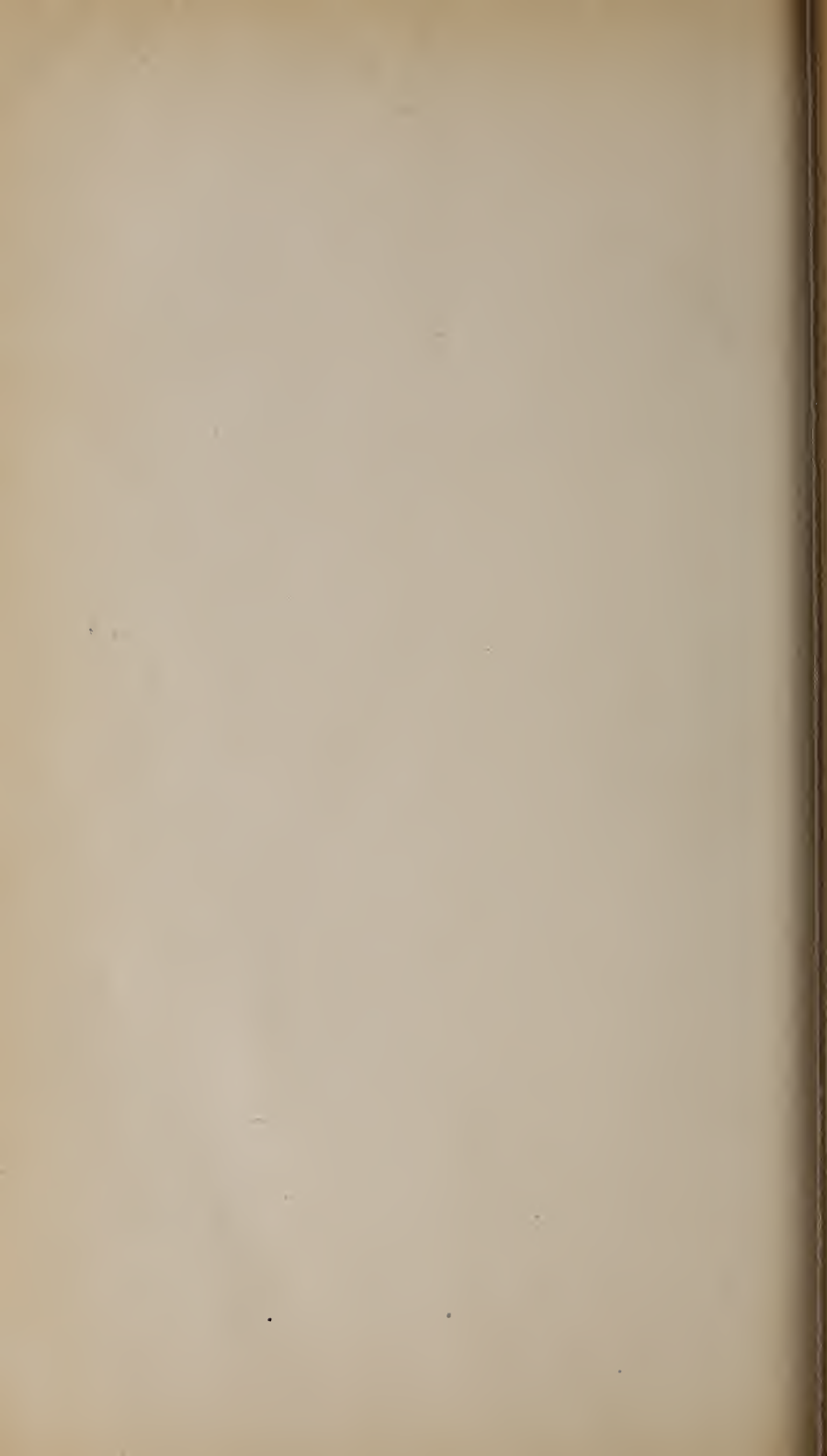
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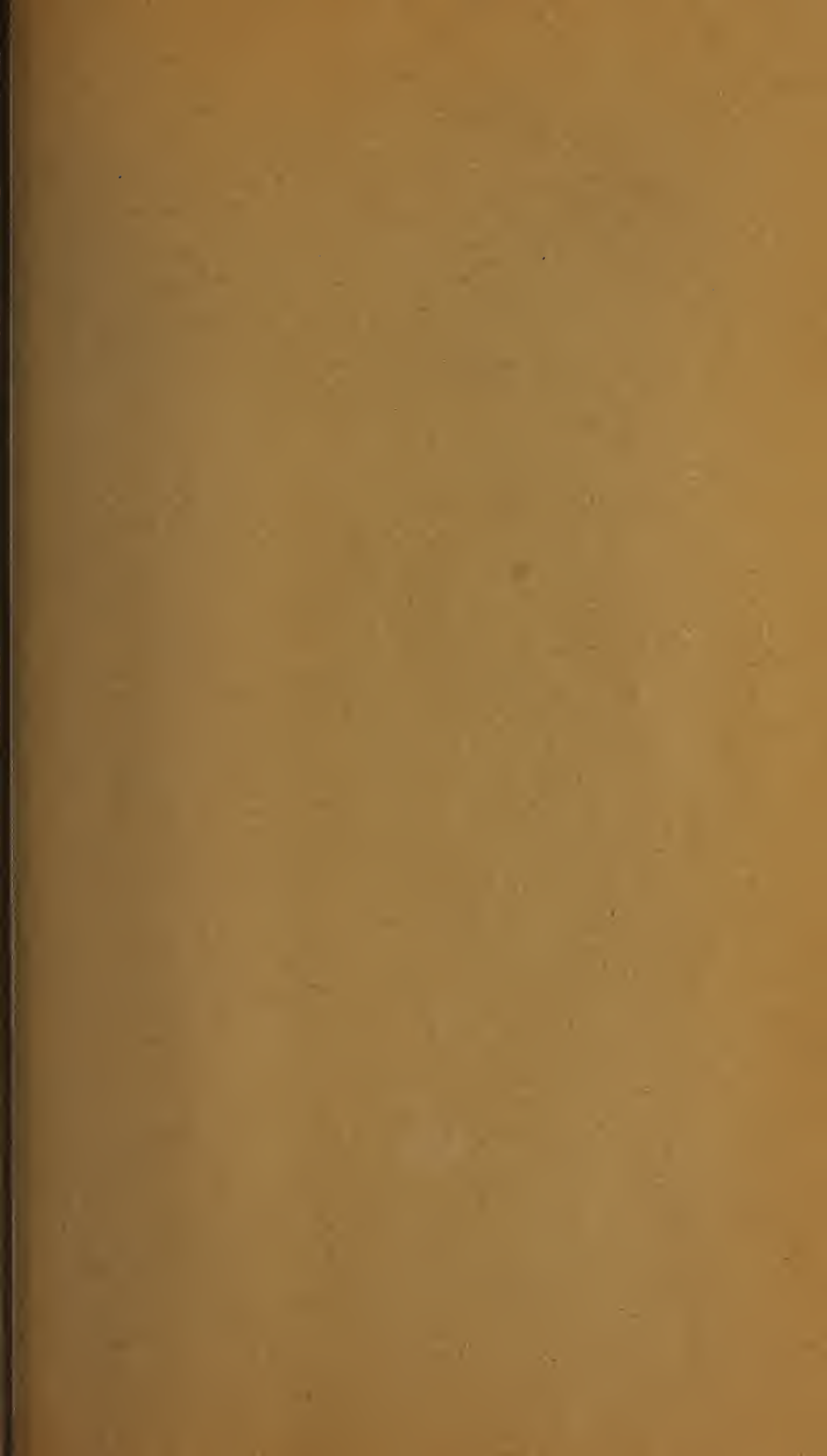
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Clarence Sikes, Ruth Swanson, Inez Taylor, Esther Wheeler,
Amelia Kehoe, George Kehoe, Joseph Powe, Howard Sikes, Edith
Handy, Lloyd Viner, Grace Welch, Chamberlain Williams, Veronica
D'eaugelis, Thomas O'Brien, Bernice Putnam, Hazel Taylor, Joseph
Angelo, Carl Bosquet, Harold Hammond, Joseph Scott, Nellie
Marsh, Olive Davis, Bertha Davis, Ruth Davis, Frank Calkins,
Ernest Griffin, Windsor Griffin, Rufus Putnam, William Sancorici,
John Gleason, Esther Pierce.



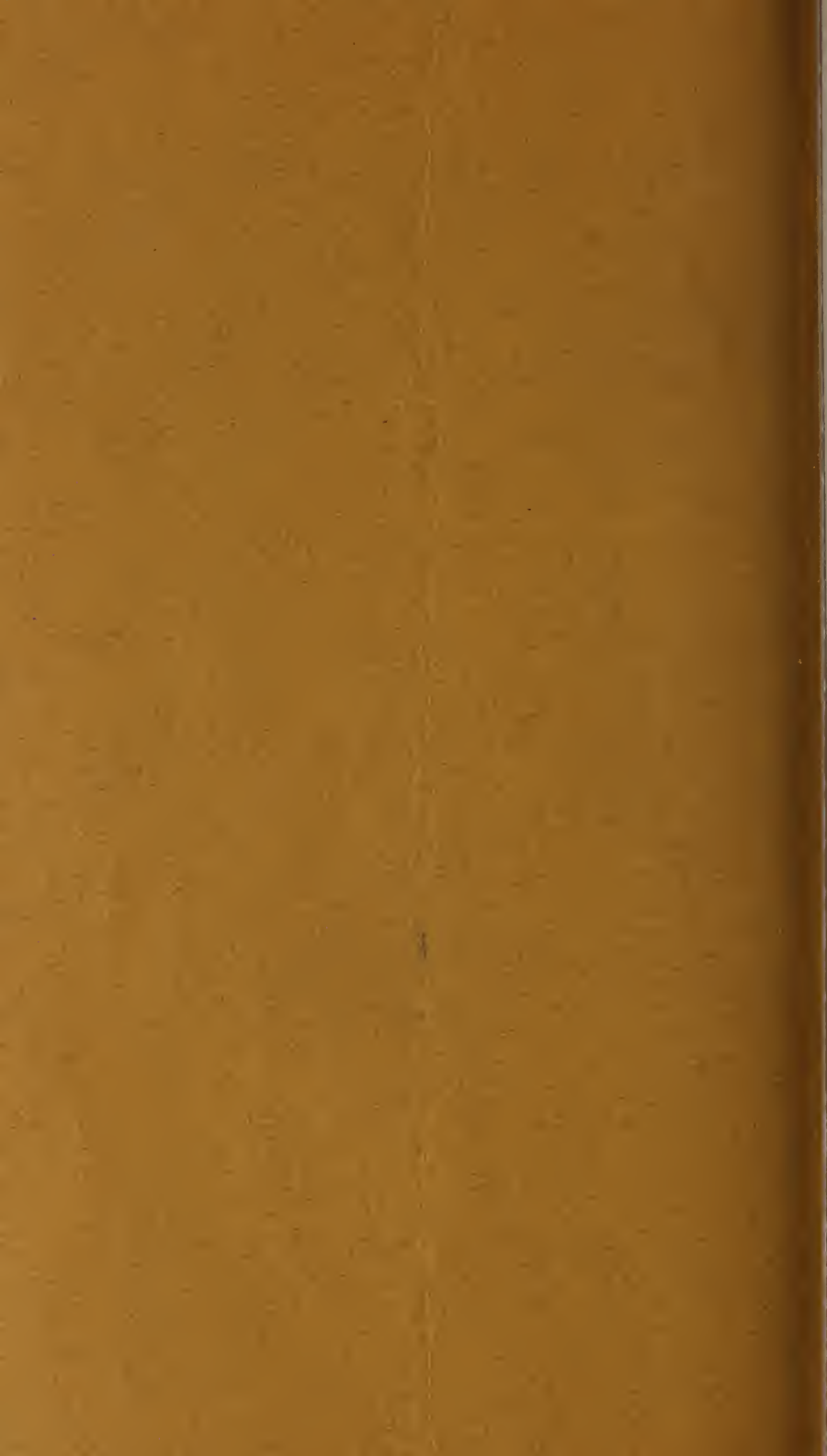






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WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1914

J. WARREN MOULTON

Term expires 1913

THOMAS P. O'HERRON

Term expires 1912

ASSESSORS

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1911

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1913

CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

Term expires 1912

OVERSEERS OF POOR

JOHN W. MUNROE

Term expires 1913

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1912

GEORGE S. PUTNAM,*

Term expires 1914

TREASURER, H. EDWARD WHEELER

COLLECTOR, JOHN W. MUNROE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

EDWARD VINER

Term expires 1912

GEORGE H. MILES

Term expires 1913

D. J. FITZGERALD

Term expires 1914

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

GEORGE N. LAPHAM

Term expires 1914

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1913

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1812

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM E. CHAMBERLAIN

Term expires 1913

JOSEPH W. O'CONNER

Term expires 1914

WALTER A. WHEELER

Term expires 1912

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WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1913

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Term expires 1914

MRS. SARA B. DRURY

Term expires 1912

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR, FRANK D. FORBUSH

AUDITOR, CLIFFORD J. GRAY

TREE WARDEN, FRANK D. FORBUSH

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EDWARD C. ALLEN

MICHAEL H. SCOTT

*Deceased

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

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MILES E. GRIFFIN

ARTHUR E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

JOSEPH E. WARE

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FRED J. TUCKER

WILLARD J. TURNER

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

WALTER C. BROWN

FRANK B. BACON

JOHN W. MCGANN

DEXTER MARSH

*Deceased

WARRANT

FOR

Town Meeting, March 25, 1912

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To EITHER of the Constables of the Town of Rutland in the County of Worcester.

Worcester, ss.

Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in the town hall, in said Rutland, on the twenty-fifth day of March inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the annual reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for one Selectman for three years, for one Assessor for three years, for one Overseer of Poor for three years,

for one Overseer of Poor for two years, to fill a vacancy, for a Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for one Water Commissioner for three years, for one School Committee for three years, for one member of Board of Health for three years, for one Library Trustee for three years, for Highway Surveyor for one year, for Auditor for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, for five Constables for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may close at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for sup-

port of poor, for salaries of town officers, for use on Memorial Day, for contingent expenses, for paying debts and interest, for employment of school physician, for use of public library, for the enforcement of the liquor laws.

ART. 8 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the water department on account of hydrant service, and for replacing of water mains.

ART. 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for maintenance of street lights, or take any action in relation to street lighting, or appoint any committee thereon.

ART. 10 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay the corporate surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for repairs on the public building.

ART. 12 To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes and Treasurer.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for use of teams for fires and forest fires.

ART. 14 To see if the town will vote to appropriate any unexpended balances of appropriations there may be, the coming year, also any unappropriated money received by the treasurer.

ART. 15 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for work done in exterminating the gypsy and brown tail moths.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to bear the whole expense of destroying the gypsy and brown tail moths on private property.

ART. 17 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of apparatus to fight forest fires.

ART. 18 To see if the town will vote to abolish the custom of the town paying the burial expense of residents.

ART. 19 To see if the town will vote to take any action relative to the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the town.

ART. 20 To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 244 in relation to forest fires.

ART. 21 To see if the town will vote to pay the bill of John J. Welch for damage to horse on highway.

ART. 22 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for fittings for the town vault.

ART. 23 To see if the town will vote permission to the Prison Camp and Hospital to establish, on its own land, a cemetery for the burial of the unclaimed bodies of inmates who die in said institution, the site having been approved by the Town Board of Health.

ART. 24 To see what action the town will take to secure an electric railroad to Rutland.

ART. 25 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Rutland Volunteer Fire Brigade.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of the town. One at each post-office, one at store at North Rutland and one at the public building in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE, } *Selectmen*
J. WARREN MOULTON, } *of*
THOMAS P. O'HERRON, } *Rutland.*

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

BIRTHS

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths were recorded for the year 1911:

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE
		1906
Daniel	Thomas H. and Nancy (Gilman) Connor	Aug. 16
		1908
Cynthia	Thomas H. and Nancy (Gilman) Connor	April 22
		1910
Edwin Forrest	Harvey D. and Nellie A. (Erickson) Crosby	Jan. 18
Zelina	Luis and Zelinda Deaueles	Jan. 10
Viola May	Patrick and Margaret (Myers) Murphy	May 18
Doris Whilma	William J. and Mabel M. (Rich) Prescott	July 4
Wallace Lester	Thomas H. and Nancy (Gilman) Connor	Oct. 21
		1911
Howard Wyman	James and Vera A. (Stearns) Hammond	Jan. 12
Adaline	Elmer and Ella (Haire) Willard	Feb. 16
—— Female	Simon and Rachel (Dovodovitz) Pontonovitz	Mar. 16
IN WORCESTER		
Frederic W., Jr.	Frederic W. and Margaret (Preston) Moody	April 6
Emma Edith	Merrill and Edith E. (Dudley) Eccleston	July 8
Clarence Martin Gustav	John H. and Margaret (Norstrom) Boquist	July 27
Theodore William	Wm. M. and Mabel G. (Robetson) Hayden	Aug. 7
—— Female	—— ——— ——— ———	Aug. 10
IN WORCESTER		
James	Fred J. and Abbie R. (Hunter) Fisher	Sept. 29
Myrtle Mimae	Lewis R. and Elsie H. (Peabody) Bigelow	Oct. 2
Albert Richard	Patrick A. and Margaret M. (Murphy) Scott	Dec. 8
Alfredo	Luis and Zelinda Deaueles	Dec. 8
John	Michael and Ella M. (Carlson) McGann	Dec. 13
IN WORCESTER		
—— Female		Nov. 10

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
1910			
Sept. 26	Warren I. Wales	Holden	Rutland
	Alice E. McGann		Rutland
1911			
April 16	Randolph B. Walker	Lee, Mass.	Rutland
	Mabel A. Swift		Lee
June 10	Henry H. Johnson	Worcester	Rutland
	Lillian McLeod		Newton
June 15	Horace L. Webber		Concord, Mass.
	Mary E. O'Herron	Rutland	Rutland
June 22	Frank Carroll	Worcester	Rutland
	Anna B. Fay		Rutland
July 29	James E. Wesson	Rutland	Rutland
	Sara Doblin		Rutland
August 3	Frank E. Keegan	Rutland	Rutland
	Annie F. Powers		Rutland
August 31	Benjamin Strong, Jr.	Rutland	Rutland
	Maude Willis		Rutland
Sept. 25	Clarence Sawyer	Rutland	Rutland
	Lucy (Parker) Lepp		Rutland
Nov. 14	Clarence W. Griffin	Rutland	Rutland
	Nellie I. Pierce		Rutland

DEATHS

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE	RESIDENCE
1911			y. m. d.	
Jan. 1	Philip E. Swartout		22 10 10	Dartmouth
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis			
Jan. 3	Rose M. Melrose		31 2 2	Hartford, Ct.
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis			

DATE 1911	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
Jan. 5	Thomas Daley	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	38	11	7	Pascoag, R. I.
Jan. 11	Jacob Metzger	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	53	2	16	Boston
Jan. 20	Henry E. Whiting	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	5	17	Medway
Jan. 23	Howard Wyman Hammond	Pneumonia	—	—	11	Rutland
Jan. 27	John J. Flynn	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	—	—	Boston
Jan. 30	Mary L. Morgan	Cerebral Hemorrhage and Paralysis	85	9	10	Worcester
Jan. 31	Mary A. McLoughlin	Tubercular Meningitis	29	5	14	Boston
Feb. 1	Mary Ableson	Nephritis	29	9	17	Worcester
Feb. 3	Annie Smith	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	39	9	15	Leominster
Feb. 4	Jane McCallum	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	41	3	6	Northampton
Feb. 12	Thomas F. Maloney	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	11	3	So. Groveland
Feb. 18	Mildred O'Connell	Pulmonary Tuberculosis (at Worcester)	16	2	25	Rutland
Feb. 20	William J. Chaff	Nephritis	40	9	18	Amesbury
Feb. 22	Lena Mitchell	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	—	—	Lynn
Feb. 23	Lillian J. Gray	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	5	28	Lynn
Mar. 2	Sarah D. Lavine	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	4	22	Worcester
Mar. 4	Harry A. Marshall	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	8	24	Revere
Mar. 9	Annie E. Bowzer	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	2	18	Lynn

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1911						
Mar. 9	George W. Meoney	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	47	6	23	New York, N. Y.
Mar. 14	Emma V. Farrar	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	2	26	Athol
Mar. 15	Mary A. McDonald	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	41	8	7	Everett
Mar. 15	Henry C. Powell	Endocarditis (at Boston)	55	—	—	Rutland
Mar. 18	Maria Johnson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	38	3	—	No. Attleboro
Mar. 19	—— Pontonovitz	Premature Birth	—	—	3	Rutland
Mar. 19	Edward H. Dolan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	24	5	16	Chelsea
Mar. 20	Joseph A. David	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	40	10	8	Taunton
Mar. 21	Michael J. Fleming	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	42	11	—	Cambridge
Mar. 23	George J. Cannon	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	—	28	Boston
Mar. 23	David A. Doole	Pulmonary Hemorrhage	53	—	—	Lynn
Mar. 26	James L. McGee	Acute Miliary Tuberculosis	24	10	20	Boston
Mar. 27	William Murhead	Acute Miliary Tuberculosis	21	—	—	Montreal, Canada
Mar. 29	Sylvester M. Small	Suicide by Shooting	31	5	7	Chatham
Mar. 31	Morris Braman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	49	—	—	Boston
Mar. 31	Patrick H. Ferrick	Cerebral Hemorrhage	52	10	20	Lowell
April 2	Frank C. Hall	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	33	7	13	Swampscott
April 2	Alice Westberg	Bronchial Pneumonia	—	3	20	Worcester

DATE 1911	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
April 9	Bessie Johnson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	8	24	Quincy
April 10	Walter H. Knapp	Cancer of Intestine	55	—	—	Newton
April 15	Arthur E. Duberger	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	8	7	Lynn
April 20	Burton E. Goodale	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	4	10	Waltham
April 22	Margaret Moran	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	—	—	Waltham
April 22	Thomas J. Kelley	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	34	1	17	Boston
April 26	Michael Moriarty	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	48	7	20	Worcester
April 30	Oscar F. Demers	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	8	26	Worcester
May 6	Chester A. Morton	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	2	18	Lynn
May 13	Maria L. Miles	Nephritis (at Cambridge)	80	1	26	Rutland
May 17	Rose E. Kirchner	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	43	4	22	Malden
May 19	Dora Blinder	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	2	1	Boston
May 21	Julia E. Shea	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	3	27	Springfield
May 25	Frank L. Brown	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	4	30	Boston
May 30	Louie P. Strong	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	3	8	Hartford, Conn.
May 31	Marguerite Kinsella	Tubercular Meningitis	3	6	12	Rutland
June 2	Lawrence Murphy	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	41	—	—	New Bedford
June 3	John Thompson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	55	3	—	Boston

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1911						
June 11	Daniel J. Burke	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	9	9	Chelsea
June 13	John Johnson	Alcoholism and Exposure	45	—	—	Worcester
June 14	Zebulon F. Forward	Broncho Pneumonia (at Worcester)	78	7	27	Rutland
June 22	Mary Redmond	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	4	13	Cambridge
July 1	Walter L. Brown	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	44	9	15	Brockton
July 4	Clarence W. Todd	Hiccough Exhaustion	42	10	26	Boston
July 6	Paul Almond	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	—	—	New Bedford
July 31	Thomas C. Gough	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	—	—	Lynn
July 31	Julia E. Peck	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	53	7	8	Northampton
July 31	Jennie M. Coddington	Acute Nephritis	39	10	30	Rutland
Aug. 1	Moostafa Soolayman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	—	—	Lowell
Aug. 2	William A. Cummings	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	8	2	Boston
Aug. 4	Frank E. Keegan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	5	—	Rutland
Aug. 4	Robert C. Molineaux	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	40	2	6	Boston
Aug. 5	Thomas H. Hudson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	46	5	10	Framingham
Aug. 9	Grace W. Peebles	Heart Disease	58	5	27	Rutland
Aug. 18	Mabel F. Willis	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	14	4	24	Boston
Aug. 24	Helen Coleman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	33	11	—	Medford

DATE 1911	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
Aug. 30	Etta H. Levey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	1	11	Beston
Sept. 6	Henry N. Peck	Pulmonary Enteritis	28	4	22	Worcester
Sept. 8	Irene Belknap	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	47	4	19	Swampscott
Sept. 16	Henry N. Dwyer	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	5	16	Everett
Sept. 28	Henry Baxendale	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	65	5	26	Worcester
Sept. 28	Thomas McGreevy	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	3	—	Worcester
Sept. 29	Dennis F. McCafferty	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	39	7	12	Fitchburg
Sept. 30	James Tucker	Premature Birth (at Worcester)	—	—	1	Rutland
Oct. 1	Alfred Ross	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	4	5	Middletown, Ohio
Oct. 1	Abbie R. Tucker	Myocarditis (at Worcester)	45	—	—	Rutland
Oct. 6	Edward Powers	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	38	3	26	Cambridge
Oct. 10	Thomas M. Roddy	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	2	22	Boston
Oct. 10	Charles A. Gleason	Diabetes	85	4	12	Oakham
Oct. 10	George S. Putnam	Angina Pectoris	72	4	20	Rutland
Oct. 17	Arthur S. Perkins	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	3	25	Penobscot, Me.
Oct. 18	Ezra J. Stearns	Angina Pectoris	67	3	24	Holden
Oct. 21	Galen R. Edson	Apoplexy	66	3	5	Rutland
Oct. 24	E. Irene Carey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	4	—	Spencer

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
1911			y.	m.	d.	
Oct. 25	Carl Anderson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	—	17	Worcester
Oct. 26	Annie J. Pender	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	3	8	Boston
Nov. 8	George W. Wallace	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	55	2	13	Boston
Nov. 15	George E. Pike	Tubercular Meningitis	36	1	25	Amesbury
Nov. 15	John F. Driscoll	Pneumo Thorax	32	5	14	Boston
Nov. 16	Anna Shea	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	36	7	7	Rutland
Nov. 17	Francis Kearns	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	36	10	—	Lowell
Nov. 19	Fred H. Johnson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	57	10	25	Wrentham
Nov. 20	James A. Downey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	2	24	Boston
Nov. 20	Viola MacLeach	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	15	4	29	Boston
Nov. 24	Peter Carey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	10	20	Malden
Nov. 27	Frank A. Raggio	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	11	27	Concord
Nov. 28	Peter S. O'Connor	Carcinoma of Stomach	52	8	1	Rutland
Nov. 30	Anna B. Caton	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	43	8	27	Watertown
Dec. 10	Joseph Howard	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	20	—	—	Boston
Dec. 16	Loren G. Gilchrist	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	5	4	Boston
Dec. 26	Thomas H. Bentley	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	4	20	Lawrence
Dec. 25	John Kelly	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	41	—	—	Bolton
Dec. 29	Joseph P. O'Neil	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	42	—	—	Boston
Dec. 31	Anna M. McAlister	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	44	12	12	Somerville

DOGS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR 1911:

Cash received for 85 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	\$170 00
Cash received for 8 Female Dogs @ \$5.00	40 00
Total	<u>\$210 00</u>
Less 93 fees @ 20¢	18 60
Paid County Treasurer	<u>\$191 40</u>

During the year 1911 there were 80 Resident Hunters Certificates issued.

The following List of Jurors were selected by the Selectmen in June 1911, and returned to the Town Clerk:

Thomas P. O'Herron	Walter H. Bartlett
Arthur E. Coddington	Homer B. Loverin
George M. Bigelow	Miles E. Griffin
Louis M. Hanff	A Clifford Wheeler
William J. Prescott	Roland C. Prescott
James Hammond	Richard Loughman
Matthew J. Cullen	Lewis R. Bigelow
Matthew Delehanty	Frederick W. Hatstat
Joseph E. Ware	Joseph M. Moulton

OF THIS LIST WERE DRAWN

Frederick W. Hatstat	Matthew Delehanty
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SPECIAL NOTICE—As there are many omissions in the Town Records of Births from 1800 to 1860, the Town Clerk would appreciate any information from private records in the possession of Rutland citizens, especially records in old family bibles.

Any person having such records, please notify the Town Clerk, that copies of such may be made by him.

Respectfully submitted,

Rutland, March 1, 1912.

LOUIS M. HANFF,
Town Clerk

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1912

The report of the Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1912, is herewith submitted.

We have drawn orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$38,013.35, as follows:

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation	\$1100 00	
Received and due from State one-half compensation inspection of animals	76 00	
Amount available		\$1176 00

TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff	\$39 75	\$39 75
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SELECTMEN

William C. Temple	\$78 00	
J. Warren Moulton	75 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	70 00	
		\$223 00

ASSESSORS

Dennis A. Smith	\$56 25	
Joseph E. Ware	55 00	
Charles J. Campbell	58 50	
		\$169 75

OVERSEERS OF POOR

John W. Munroe	\$20 00	
Joseph E. Ware	35 00	
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WATER COMMISSIONERS

George H. Miles	\$10 00	
Edward Viner	10 00	
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COLLECTOR

John W. Munroe	1911	\$150 33	
“ “	1912	150 33	
		<hr/>	\$300 33

TREASURER

H. Edward Wheeler	1911	\$ 16 66	
“ “	1912	125 00	
		<hr/>	\$141 66

AUDITOR

Clifford J. Gray	\$28 16	\$28 16
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REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff	\$12 00	
William C. Temple	8 00	
J. Warren Moulton	8 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	8 00	
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ELECTION OFFICERS

John C. Boyle	\$2 00	
Matthew Delehanty	4 00	
Joseph M. Moulton	2 00	
Matthew J. Cullen	6 00	
Joseph E. Ware	4 00	
Richard M. Loughman	2 00	
Fred W. Hatstat	2 00	
Leroy J. Putnam	2 00	
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		\$24 00

CONSTABLES

J. W. Moulton	1911	\$2 50	
P. S. O'Connor	1911	3 00	
M. H. Scott		3 00	
E. C. Allen		3 00	
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			\$11 50

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

George S. Putnam	\$152 00	\$ 152 00
Amount expended for town officers salaries		1201 15
Amount overdrawn		25 15

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$4300 00	
Receipts from all other sources	1869 60	
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Total		\$6169 60
Orders drawn		6561 41
Amount overdrawn		391 81
(See report of School Committee)		

POOR

Appropriation	\$600 00	
Received from other sources	15 00	
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Total		\$615 00
Orders drawn		305 14
Balance unexpended		<hr/>
		\$309 86
(See report of Overseers)		

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$1600 00	
Orders drawn	1601 07	
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Amount overdrawn		\$1 07
(See report of Highway Surveyor)		

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$50 00
Order drawn	50 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation (dog fund)	\$222 34	
Balance unexpended of last year	17 02	
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Total		\$239 36
Orders drawn		203 40
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Balance unexpended		\$35 96

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation	\$25 00
Balance unexpended	25 00

CARE OF COMMON

Appropriation	\$25 00
Orders drawn	25 00

SOLDIERS RELIEF

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Orders drawn	60 00	
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Balance unexpended		\$40 00

REPAIRS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Received for damage by lightning	40 00	
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Total		\$140 00

Paid J. B. L. Rhodes, labor and material	\$81 66	
Louis M. Hanff, " "	25 15	
E. G. Higgins Co., curtains	30 21	
Geo. H. Miles, furnace repairs and labor	21 57	
Total		\$158 59
Amount overdrawn		18 59

DEBTS AND INTEREST

Appropriation		\$5000 00
Paid State of Mass. on water loan	\$1000 00	
" " on building loan	1000 00	
" " on refund loan	500 00	
Peoples Savings Bank, refund loan	2000 00	
		\$4500 00
Peoples Savings Bank, temporary loan	\$5000 00	
Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank "	8000 00	
		\$13000 00

INTEREST

Paid State of Mass.	\$951 21	
Peoples Savings Bank	361 67	
Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank	524 60	
Worcester County Institution for Savings	350 00	
Hersom Bros.	35 00	
		\$2222 48
Total of orders drawn for notes and interest		\$19722 48
From this amount should be deducted the temporary loan paid of	\$13000 00	
The interest on water loan assumed by the Water Department	677 50	
The Collector has received from interest on taxes	723 06	
Total		\$14400 56
Which amount deducted from the orders leaves		\$5321 92
Appropriation		5000 00
Overdrawn		\$321 92

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCOUNT

Paid Geo. H. Miles, janitor	\$490 00	
“ “ supplies	4 75	
R. K. Pratt Coal Co., coal	262 91	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	51 05	
H. W. Calkins, drawing coal	32 08	
“ “ wood	9 00	
Ralph W. Temple, wood	5 50	
Rutland Grocery Co., oil and supplies	70 30	
Julius Shultz, labor	1 33	
Brewer & Co., kalsomine, etc.	11 12	
American Express Co.	30	
W. C. Temple, wood	16 50	
F. A. Kehoe, drawing lumber	1 25	
Mason Brush Works, brushes	7 00	
C. W. Griffin, express	25	
H. W. Calkins, express	50	
Total		\$963 84
Of the foregoing account two-thirds or	\$642 56	
is charged to school account and		
one-third or	321 28	
is charged to public building.		

NEW BUILDING

Appropriation		\$3500 00
Paid J. B. L. Rhodes, building contract	\$2952 62	
A. G. Williams & Son, cement	96 25	
Ralph W. Temple, drawing cement	5 50	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	13 04	
F. A. Hyde, vault doors	80 00	
Brewer & Co., paint and varnish	15 61	
C. C. Lowell, paint	7 05	
Geo. H. Miles, furnace and fittings	143 84	
Heywood Bros. & Wakefield Co., chairs	54 00	
Geo. E. Stimpson, furniture	55 00	
Louis M. Hanff, painting	50 00	

Paid Leroy Putnam, labor	\$18 20	
Joseph E. Ware, lumber	8 40	
Ernest A. Graton, labor	44 50	
Adams & Powers, finish lumber	2 57	
Total expense of building		\$3546 58
The town has received from cement sold and there is on hand, cement and bags to the value of		31 50
Which deducted, leaves as the net cost of new building		\$3515 08

SNOW AND INCIDENTALS

By vote of the town all unexpended balances, and all unappropriated money received by the Treasurer, are added to incidental appropriation.

Appropriation by town	\$1500 00	
Poor department, balance unexpended	309 86	
School Physician, " "	25 00	
Soldiers Relief, " "	40 00	
Rentals from Hall	237 45	
Unappropriated money received by Treasurer	123 40	
Total amount available		\$2235 71

SNOW

Paid Newton I. Sargent	\$5 00	
Ralph Reed	1 60	
Ralph E. Matthews	3 30	
J. J. Welch	3 50	
George H. Rice	8 00	
Howard S. Davis	3 40	
Matthew Delehanty	5 80	
William H. Maynard	4 20	
Total		\$34 80

INCIDENTALS

Paid Rutland Grocery Co., election supplies	\$ 61
E. H. Tripp, printing report and ballots	103 00
P. B. Murphy, dog blanks	3 50
E. W. Merrick, insurance	14 00
Bureau of Statistics, certifying notes	12 00
E. W. Merrick, court fees	16 42
Hobbs Title Co., examining titles	7 35
R. C. Prescott & Son, death returns, burials	32 30
L. M. Hanff, treasurer and collector's bond	32 00
L. Q. Spaulding, care of clock 2 years	40 00
P. S. O'Connor, use of team	1 00
Edward F. Deigman, detective work	30 75
E. H. Tripp, stationery and printing	19 98
W. C. Temple, transportation of State Aid	
Agent and expense to Boston	7 00
Luella H. Lawrence, reimbursment on taxes	78 30
C. J. Gray, auditor, postage	2 08
E. H. Tripp, printing valuation reports	47 50
D. A. Smith, expense of dog officer	5 00
Denholm, McKay Co., mats	2 55
Globe Gas Light Co., lamps	9 55
F. A. Kehoe, care dumping ground	5 00
J. W. Moulton, moth notices	5 25
L. M. Hanff, election officers dinner	4 50
A. W. Brownell, assessors supplies	7 45
H. E. Wheeler, renewing note and stationery, 1911	7 06
J. B. L. Rhodes, moving town safe	32 19
Geo. E. Stimpson, office supplies	19 62
A. L. Purington, keys	1 75
Carter Ink Co., ink	75
Frost Stamp Co., rubber stamps	1 65
C. W. Griffin, express	25
Frank A. Smith & Son, insurance	30 00
B. W. Potter, legal advice	2 00
Sanford-Putnam Co., books and stationery	7 70

Paid H. E. Wheeler, 5 trips to Worcester, negotiating loans	\$15 00	
H. E. Wheeler, postage and express	9 25	
E. R. Tripp, tax book and assessors supplies	11 50	
W. H. Harvey, architects plans	65 00	
J. E. Ware, maintaining watering trough	5 00	
L. M. Hanff, expense and time bld'g com.	10 00	
W. C. Temple, " "	10 00	
J. W. Moulton, " "	10 00	
Thos. P. O'Herron, " "	10 00	
John W. Munroe, postage and stationery	10 90	
L. M. Hanff, insurance	120 00	
L. M. Hanff, expense sealer weights and measure	2 50	
Dennis A. Smith, assessor, postage	2 50	
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	36	
George H. Miles, care of common	20 00	
L. M. Hanff, town clerks returns and expense	67 00	
" " postage, express and telephone	9 75	
" " agent Board of Health	12 00	
" " Justice of Peace, town officers	4 00	
		\$984 82
H. E. Wheeler, moth work	\$126 00	
E. A. Graton, " "	87 00	
Myron Hunt, " "	75 50	
Ross Bros., moth supplies	1 30	
New York Bag Co., moth supplies	5 09	
C. W. Griffin, express, "	25	
		\$295 19
Henry Converse and others, forest fires	205 03	
J. M. Moulton, forest fires	1 25	
		\$206 28
Total incidentals		1486 29
Snow bills		34 80
Total		\$1521 09
Amount not drawn		714 62

To the incidental balance of	\$714 62	
can be added the tax overlayings	223 87	
Additional assessment	74 55	
Total		\$1013 04
Deducted from this amount should be over-		
drawn appropriation as follows:		
Schools, less the amount of bills due town	\$187 81	
Town officers	25 15	
Highways	1 07	
Repairs on public building	18 59	
Notes and interest	321 92	
Maintenance of public building	321 28	
Tax abatements	339 15	
The deficiency between the estimated income		
of the Water Department, used by the		
Assessors in the tax levy, and the actual		
net income	170 23	
Total		\$1385 20
Which shows a balance against the town in		
its running expenses the past year of		\$372 16

This balance is occasioned partly by the larger than usual amount of tax abatements, also the amount of money received from the State for loss of taxes on State land, and the estimated income from the Water Department, have been used by the Assessors in the making up of the tax rate.

RECAPITULATION

Town officers	\$1201 15	
Schools, including two-thirds public building	6561 41	
Poor	305 14	
Highways	1601 07	
State aid	330 00	
Soldiers relief	60 00	
Memorial Day	50 00	
Public Library	203 40	
Appropriation for common	25 00	
Water Department	2406 16	
Repairs on Public Building	158 59	
Debts and interest	19722 48	
Public Building, one-third account	321 28	
New Building	3546 58	
Incidentals	1486 29	
Snow	34 80	
Total		\$38013 35

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

State Treasurer, water loan	\$15000 00	
" " "	2000 00	
Hersom Bros., "	1000 00	
State Treasurer, building loan	7000 00	
" " refund loan	500 00	
Peoples Savings Bank, ten year loan	4000 00	
Wor. County Institution, refund loan	10000 00	
Wor. Five Cent Savings Bank, new building loan	3500 00	
" " " " temporary loan	6000 00	
		\$49000 00

RESOURCES

Due from State aid	\$330 00	
Unpaid water rents	478 86	
Uncollected taxes in Collector's hands	9948 63	
Cash in treasury	278 80	
Total		\$11037 29
Net debt of town		\$37967 83

APPROPRIATIONS

	For 1911	Recommended For 1912
Town Officers	\$1100 00	\$1100 00
Public Schools	4300 00	4500 00
Support of poor	600 00	400 00
Highways	1600 00	1600 00
Memorial Day	50 00	50 00
Public Library	Dog Fund	Dog Fund
Snow and incidentals	1500 00	1500 00
Debts and interest	5000 00	6000 00
Repairs of building	100 00	200 00
Fires	100 00	100 00
Common	25 00	25 00
School Physician	25 00	25 00
Soldiers Relief	100 00	75 00
Moth work	300 00	300 00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen of Rutland</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,	
THOMAS P. O'HERRON,	

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1912

PAID

NUMBER	FULLY SUPPORTED		
1 and 2	Charlton Poor Farm Association	\$157 86	\$157 86
NUMBER	PARTIALLY SUPPORTED		
1 and 2	Town of Berlin	\$52 00	
3	Town of Rutland	6 75	
4	Somerville Hospital	42 86	
5	City of Worcester	5 71	
6	“ “	1 21	
		<hr/>	\$108 53
R. C. Prescott,	coffin and burial of No. 1	\$20 00	
“ “ “	State pauper	18 75	
		<hr/>	\$38 75
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			\$305 14
Received from State Board of Charity			15 00
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			\$290 14

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MUNROE,
JOSEPH E. WARE,
Overseers of Poor

YEARLY REPORT OF THE CHARLTON POOR FARM ASSOC'N

February 1, 1910 to February 1, 1911

EXPENDITURES

Salary, warden and matron	\$650 00
Outside help	247 08
Inside help	355 50
Groceries	1150 84
Meat	314 80
Grain	882 73
Boots, shoes and clothing	125 84
Drugs and medical attendance	63 43
Miscellaneous	287 64
Fish and oysters	64 30
Tobacco	48 48
Rent and interest	585 96
Wood and coal	250 74
Stock	96 00
Tools and seed	124 47
Hardware	30 35
Replenishing	4 00
Insurance	36 83
Phosphate	54 45
Carriage painting	9 00
Blacksmithing	46 80
Filling Silo	31 30
Harvesting ice	22 30
Dry Goods	149 11

\$5631 95

RECEIPTS

Milk	\$2114 40
Eggs	49 67
Stock	130 00
Outside labor	126 42
Miscellaneous	30 29
Board from sundry persons	247 50

CASH RECEIVED FROM THESE TOWNS :

Charlton	323 71
Leicester	487 45
Paxton	171 75
Auburn	262 53
Westminster	686 95
Princeton	171 75
Holden	272 43
Hubbardston	235 60
Rutland	208 44
Oakham	23 06
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	\$5631 95

The number of inmates who have been supported by the Charlton Poor Farm Association from Feb. 1, 1911 to Feb. 1, 1912.

TOWN	INMATES	WEEKS	PRICE	
Charlton	3	98 $\frac{2}{7}$	\$3 29.36	\$323 71
Leicester	5	148	"	487 45
Paxton	1	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"	171 75
Auburn	2	79 $\frac{5}{7}$	"	262 53
Westminster	4	208 $\frac{4}{7}$	"	686 95
Princeton	1	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"	171 75
Holden	3	82 $\frac{5}{7}$	"	272 43
Hubbardston	3	98 $\frac{6}{7}$	"	325 60
Rutland	2	63 $\frac{2}{7}$	"	208 44
Oakham	1	7	"	23 06

\$2933 67

HOBART RAYMOND, President
 E. W. MERRICK, Secretary
 A. H. PUTNAM, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600.00) being the amount appropriated by the town for the repair of roads and bridges in the year 1911.

I give below the amount expended each month:

In the month of April	\$ 36 00
May	489 19
June	427 00
August	86 03
September	204 47
October	244 14
November	52 50
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	\$1589 33
Gravel	16 48
Tools	4 17
Scraper edge	8 50
Blacksmithing	4 65
I took out a bridge on the Hubbardston road, and used a Metal Culvert	27 94
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	\$1601 07

THE LIST OF TOOLS BELONGING TO THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2 road machines
1 plow
7 shovels
5 picks
1 stone hammer
2 iron bars
5 hoes
2 drills
1 fork
1 brush scythe

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK D. FORBUSH,

Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

The Water Department has had several new patrons added during the year and has been obliged to install a new water cylinder to replace the old one that was badly cracked and liable to give way at any time; it also required much additional work and fuel to do the extra pumping required on account of the leaks in the cylinder you will notice this cost a little over \$300.

Considerable expense was incurred to thaw out frozen service pipe, particularly on the line from the store of John C. Boyle to the house of Morris Menges. This pipe line has given trouble several winters, and should either be replaced with a larger pipe, or at least dug up and put down a foot or more lower.

There are now in use 52 meters by 50 patrons of the Water System, and 51 connections of patrons paying for unmetered water, making a total of 101 patrons, of this number three of the metered and five of the unmetered were not using water at the close of the year, February 29, 1912, making a total of 94 connections in use at the beginning of the new financial year.

According to the records of Edward Viner, Engineer, at the pumping station, there was pumped during the year ending Dec. 31, 1911, 34,890,832 gallons, the largest amount pumped in any one week was the first week in July 956,456 gallons, and in any one day on July 3rd, 254,128 gallons were pumped. Through the meters and hydrants at the Sanatorium 21,716,312 gallons, and about 3,251,130 gallons through meters of the patrons in town were run.

By allowing 8% for the slip of the pump, we estimate water actually pumped to the Stand Pipe was 32,098,566 gallons. After deducting metered water and that accounted for through Sanatorium, we find that about 8,130,000 gallons were used by patrons paying a flat rate, for watering troughs, town hall, fountains and by leaks in the water mains.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Dr.

Braman, Dow & Co., pipe, fittings and supplies	\$ 66 24
Russel K. Pratt Coal Co., coal	399 33
Pochontas Fuel Co., coal	219 06
Michael Loughman, wood	13 75
E. Russell Norton, coal	153 64
John Welch, wood	4 70
Marsh Ice Co., screenings	17 15
Henry W. Calkins, wood	7 50
“ “ express paid and cartage	1 35
Edward Viner, services as engineer pumping	570 46
“ “ repairs at pumping station	35 67
“ “ labor on leaks on pipe line	16 47
“ “ labor on construction work	5 83
“ “ cash paid on express and cartage	3 22
Henry W. Calkins, carting water cylinders	3 00
“ “ labor setting up water cylinders	13 73
Neptune Water Meter Co., meters and disks	44 85
Central Supply Co., sheet packing	24 88
Brewer & Co., packing	12 49
Ralph Temple, carting coal	119 37
Julius Schultz, digging trench	13 12
Rutland Grocery Co., oil and supplies	13 84
Deane Steam Pump Co., pump valves	6 44
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	168 85
Lebeaur Bros., carting coal	11 40
Knowles Steam Pump Co., water cylinders	240 40
“ “ “ valves and springs	35 00
Michael Nihin, labor on frozen water pipes	16 92
Daniel Nihin, “ “ “	3 40
John W. Dickson, “ “ “	6 64
Everett Handy, “ “ “	17 36
Walter H. Sargent, “ “ “	4 26
Carl R. Griffin, “ “ “	1 75
John Connors, “ “ “	5 63
Arthur Sanderson, labor digging at watering trough	1 00
American Express Co.	50
E. H. Tripp, printing	7 50
New England Iron Works Co., grates and fire brick	9 75

Duncan, Goodell Co., steel tape and lanterns	\$4 05
C. W. Griffin cartage	25
James E. O'Connor, sharpening picks	45
W. W. Ramsey, inspecting boiler	5 00
George H. Miles, labor on construction work	12 55
“ “ repairs on leaks, inspecting pipe line and cash paid for fittings, etc.	23 49
“ “ cash paid for postage, stationery and cartage	1 61
Louis M. Hanff, services as superintendent	25 00
“ “ reading meters	25 00
“ “ services putting up water cylinders, postage, cash for express and expense to Boston	12 35
	<hr/> \$2406 16
Interest paid on water loan	677 50
	<hr/> \$3083 66

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Bills rendered Rutland State Sanatorium for water used from Feb. 1, 1911 to Feb. 1, 1912	\$2631 50
Bill for labor on frozen pipes, State Sanatorium	14 11
Bills rendered J. W. Munroe, collector for town patrons, from Jan. 1, 1911 to Jan. 1, 1912	1229 68
Bills rendered for construction work, pipe fittings, etc., to town patrons	104 46
Meters and fittings on hand	32 00
Coal on hand March 1, 1912	177 00
Town appropriation for hydrant service	350 00
“ “ Public Building	20 00
“ “ watering troughs	10 00
“ “ Cemetery fountain	10 00
	<hr/> \$4578 75
Bills approved to March* 1, 1912	\$2406 16
Interest paid on water loan	677 50
	<hr/> \$3083 66
Balance in favor of the town	<hr/> \$1495 09
Amount of bills rendered and coal on hand	\$4188 75
Total expense for the year	3083 66
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Cash balance	\$1105 09

COST OF OPERATING THE WATER SYSTEM FOR THE YEAR

Engineer's salary, pumping	\$570 46
“ compensation for repairs at pumping station and on pipe line	55 36
Cost of fuel	801 38
Freight and cartage on fuel	290 77
Material for repairs	32 52
Labor for repairs	64 46
Supt. salary and meter reading	50 00
Inspection of boiler	5 00
Incidentals	18 68
One-tenth cost of instaling new water cylinder	32 20
Interest on water loan	677 50
	<hr/> \$2598 33

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,
Superintendent

Rutland, March 1, 1912

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation	\$222 34	
Balance from last year's appropriation unused	17 02	
Total		\$239 36
 Paid Librarian, salary	 \$100 00	
Chares E. Laurite & Co., books	33 00	
Doubleday, Page & Co., "	16 50	
Laura B. Drury, "	1 00	
Denholm & McKay Co. "	52 90	
Total		\$203 40
Balance unexpended		\$35 96

The Librarian has received from fines, etc.	\$3 29
and has paid for express and postage	3 29

The following named organizations contributed to purchase periodicals for the reading table:

The Firemen	\$10 00	
Ladies' Union	2 00	
Christian Endeavor	1 50	
The Grange	3 00	
Home Relief	3 00	
		\$19 00

Books have been given as follows:

Woman's Education Association	25 volumes
Catherine Munroe, Lexington,	75 "
Mrs. Louisa Pierce	3 "
Miss Mary E. Tripp, Worcester	6 "

The following named persons have contributed magazines :

C. W. Dodge	Mrs. H. Leonard
Mrs. Drury	Mrs. Menges
Mrs. Catherine Munroe	Mrs. Converse

The State Library Commission very kindly paid the expenses of one librarian for a five weeks course at the Library Summer School this past year. This should prove of great benefit in the managing of the library.

About 76 volumes of new books have been added to the Library by purchase.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} Trustees of Library
SARA B. DRURY,	
MARY A. CONVERSE,	

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

H. Edward Wheeler, Treasurer, in account with the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, Mass., for year ending March 1, 1912.

Dr.

Cash on hand March 1, 1911	\$ 6 10
Received of J. W. Munroe, Collector	19401 36
Geo. H. Miles, hall rents	237 45
Interest on bank deposits	52 21
Central District Court fines	44 70
Geo. H. Miles, 2nd hand seat	50
Wor. Five Cent Sav. Bank, temporary loan	8000 00
" " " pub. build'g loan	3000 00
State Treas., $\frac{1}{2}$ compensation for ins. of animals	67 75
J. F. Harlow, bowling alley license	5 00
State Treasurer, corporation tax license	6 00
" " corporation tax, public service	65 67
" " National Bank tax	1 53
" " State Aid	316 00
" " burial paupers	15 00
" " reimbursement for loss of taxes on land used for public in- stitutions	271 46
Jesse Allen, Supt. School account	312 50
State Treasurer, High School tuition	500 00
Wor. Five Cent Sav. Bank, pub. build'g loan	500 00
County Treasurer, dog fund	166 52
State Treasurer, income school fund	1057 10
Boston & Maine R. R., freight claims	2 50
Wor. Five Cent Sav. Bank, temporary loan	6000 00
L. M. Hanff, damage to public building by lightning	40 00
C. W. Putnam, cement	1 50
Total	\$4071 15

Cr.

Paid State Treasurer, State tax	\$1045 00
" " Road tax	58 00
County Treasurer, County tax	675 00
Selectmen's orders	38013 35
Cash on hand to balance	279 80
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	\$40071 15

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

In Five Cent Savings Bank	\$100 00
Interest accrued	4 04
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	\$04 04
Paid W. C. Temple, Treas. of Rural Cemetery Association	4 04
Balance in Bank	<hr/>
	\$100 00

Respectfully submitted,

H. EDWARD WHEELER,

Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Ending March 1, 1912

	Taxes Committed	Paid Treas.	Unpaid
1903	\$11 31		\$9 31
1904	12 77		8 77
1905	28 20	24 20	
1906	43 67		9 09
1907	298 82	203 52	89 30
1908	1846 12	1301 45	388 72
1909	2966 84	2089 58	751 69
1910	4990 17	2647 72	2306 45
1911	14934 64	8544 89	6385 70
	<hr/> \$25132 54	<hr/> \$14811 36	<hr/> \$9949 03

	Abatements		
1903	\$ 2 00		
1904	4 00		
1905	4 00		
1906	34 58		
1907	6 00		
1908	155 95		
1909	125 57		
1910	36 00	Interest	\$687 12
1911	4 05	Cash on hand	55 80
	<hr/> \$372 15		

WATER ACCOUNT

Bills Received		Paid	Due
July 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910	\$85 72	\$60 25	\$25 47
Jan. 1, 1910 to July 1, 1910	98 47	74 25	24 22
July 1, 1910 to Jan. 1, 1911	208 10	150 78	42 64
Jan. 1, 1911 to July 1, 1911	635 39	566 97	68 42
July 1, 1911 to Jan. 1, 1912	594 29	366 72	277 57
	<u>\$1607 29</u>	<u>\$1218 97</u>	<u>\$388 32</u>

EXTRAS

July 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910 $\frac{1}{2}$ meter	\$5 00	\$5 00	
July 1, 1910 to Jan. 1, 1911	14 68	14 68	
July 1, 1911 to Jan. 1, 1912	104 46	69 42	35 04
	<u>\$124 14</u>	<u>\$89 10</u>	<u>\$35 04</u>
Old water bills	\$399 54	\$5 00	\$394 54
Sanatorium water, twelve months	2645 61	2645 61	
	<u>\$4776 58</u>	<u>\$3958 68</u>	<u>\$817 90</u>

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MUNROE,

Collector

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Water Commissioners and Selectmen, and found them to be correct.

CLIFFORD J. GRAY,

Rutland, March 14, 1912

Auditor

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Or the Town of Rutland, for the Year Ending March 1, 1912

STATISTICS

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age, as per school census September 1, 1911	154
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1911	244
Average membership for the year	208.9
Average attendance for the year	192.5
Per cent. of attendance	92 1
For the attendance by schools and terms, see the statistical table in the Superintendent's report.	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS

Town appropriation	\$4300 00
State, Superintendent's salary	312 50
Income Massachusetts School Fund	1057 10
State, for High School	500 00
Due from Boston, tuition	148 00
Due from State Board of Charity	56 00
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	\$6373 50

TOTAL EXPENSE OF MAINTAINING SCHOOLS

Salaries of teachers	\$3365 00	
Transportation	1595 65	
Supervision	466 52	
Books and supplies	359 12	
Janitors	259 66	
Fuel	452 40	
Sundries	41 71	
Repairs	21 35	
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		\$6561 41
Overdrawn		187 91

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Edward H. Leonard, Principal High School	\$975 00	
Miss Mary Harwood, Assistant High School	325 00	
Miss M. Lillian Symonds, " " "	80 00	
Miss Marguerite Coydevant, Center Grammar	374 00	
Miss Eva Allen, Intermediate, Center	374 00	
Miss Helen Moran, 1st Intermediate, Center	184 00	
Miss Bessie Bartlett, Center Primary	374 00	
Miss Katheryne McGrath, North Rutland	340 00	
Miss Helen Moran, West Rutland	170 00	
Miss Agnes Gilway, West Rutland	109 00	
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		\$3365 00

TRANSPORTATION

Matthew Cullen	\$442 75	
Horace E. Smith	280 80	
Pliny M. Meader	100 80	
George N. Jenkins	189 00	
Weston R. Upham	241 50	
Mrs. Julia Davis	173 80	
George H. Rice	116 00	
Deller Laton	51 00	
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		\$1595 65

SUPERVISION

Charles L. Randall, Superintendent	\$414 52
Louis M. Hanff, School Committee	22 00
William C. Temple, School Committee	10 00
George S. Putnam, School Census and Truant Officer	20 00

 \$466 52

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett & Co.	145 45
E. E. Babb & Co.	129 29
Knott Apparatus Co.	33 78
Ginn & Co.	31 12
American Book Co.	15 80
D. C. Heath & Co.	19 28
Rand, McNalley Co.	4 40

 \$359 12

FUEL

Center Building fuel and two-thirds Public Building Sundries	\$415 90
North Rutland, Julia Davis, wood	13 75
North Rutland, A. E. Coddington, wood	4 75
West Rutland, Joseph E. Ware	18 00

 \$452 40

JANITORS

George H. Miles, Center Schools	\$226 66
Francis Ware, West Rutland	16 50
Mrs. Julia Davis, North Rutland	16 50

 \$259 66

REPAIRS

American Seating Co., castings and chairs, etc.	\$13 00
Howard Davis, labor on desks and chairs	5 50
Clarence Prescott, labor on desks and chairs	2 85

 \$21 35

SUNDRIES

E. H. Tripp, printing reports, etc	\$10 00	
Edward E. Frank, clock	5 00	
Charles L. Randall, office supplies, postage, etc.	11 48	
L. M. Hanff, postage, express, expense to Holden	6 50	
William C. Temple, expense to Holden	3 00	
Rutland Grocery Co., supplies W. R. school	45	
Julia Davis, cleaning, setting glass and broom, North Rutland	1 95	
Henry W. Calkins, cartage from depot	1 26	
Freight and express on supplies	1 72	
J. S. Spaulding, cleaning clock	35	
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		\$71 41

STATE SCHOOL FUND

Received from State Treasurer	\$1057 10
Transferred to general account for school bills	1057 10

SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. George S. Putnam was appointed enumerator, and reported as follows:

Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	86	
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	68	
		<hr/> 154
Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	66	
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	52	
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CALENDAR—1912-13

SPRING TERM—April to 1 to June 21, inclusive. High School to June 28, inclusive, 12 and 13 weeks.

FALL TERM—Sept. 3 to Nov. 22, 12 weeks.

WINTER TERM—Dec. 2 to Dec 20, 3 weeks. Dec. 30 to Feb. 14, inclusive for grades, 7 weeks, and to March 22 inclusive for High School. Making 40 weeks for High School and 34 for grades.

The addition to the public building was completed and an additional teacher procured commencing with the Fall Term. While the expense of maintenance will be some more than in the past, good results are already evident.

The reducing of the number of scholars in the other rooms has added to the efficiency of all the teachers, and we are sure that the investment in a new room will prove of great benefit to our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>School</i> <i>Committee</i>
GEORGE N. LAPHAM,	
LOUIS M. HANFF,	

Rutland, March 1, 1912.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden, Mass., March 11, 1912

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF RUTLAND,

GENTLEMEN :

The past year has been one of progress in a very important matter in your schools, I refer to the change in the school building of which I will speak later. Your schools now throughout the town are in excellent condition, your teachers are without exception, doing well.

There are however, some steps yet to be taken, though none so important as the one accomplished this year.

The length of the common school year should be increased to thirty-six weeks instead of thirty-four. There are but few towns in the State which have less than thirty-six weeks. Not only would the lengthening of the school year bring more benefit to your children, but it would serve as a promotion to the teachers, since it would increase their yearly salary, thus giving a better opportunity to retain worthy teachers, a thing which is most important to do.

The additional expense of this action would be \$64 per week for teachers' salaries, there would also be the transportation charges, a small sum could be deducted from this amount as there are several tuition pupils in town who would of course pay tuition for the additional time.

The other matter is the teaching of music in the public schools. The town of Paxton this year employed a music teacher with great profit to the children. Rutland pupils should have opportunity to secure that which each of her neighbors now consider an important part of a child's education. Don't you wish your children to learn music? They cannot at the present time do so except at school. I could arrange to have very satisfactory work done here for \$2.50 per week. Can you invest \$85 per year to better advantage. I would estimate the expense of music books as \$30 for the first year.

NEW ROOM. The change in the school building previously alluded to has enabled us to open an extra school, thereby relieving the strain on the teachers caused by overwork and the care of too many pupils. Several teachers have failed in the grammar room during the past three years simply because the burden was too great for their health. For several years an assistant has been secured, thus making the same number of teachers that we have to-day, but not being able to work to advantage the desired results were not obtained and the town did not receive adequate return for its money. Since moving into the new room in November you have had all your schools in excellent condition with pupils and teachers doing creditable work. The venture has proved a marked success.

LABORATORY. You will remember by glancing at last year's report, pages 49 and 53, that a small part of the plans for better school accommodation last year included fitting up a section of the basement for a laboratory for high school classes.

A corner of the basement of the new part, is well lighted, with a good concrete floor, a table could be placed there, the water pipes extended but a few feet, shelves placed on the wall to hold the chemical supplies, and the efficiency of the teacher of physics and chemistry would be increased 50%. I think the necessary work could be done for twenty-five dollars. I recommend that some such plan as I have outlined be carried into effect during the spring vacation.

NINTH GRADE. For years there has been no pupils of the ninth grade at the West Rutland school, the parents of their own accord sending such pupils as had completed the eighth grade to the center to enter the ninth grade, or high school preparatory class, with the other pupils of the town. This plan of the parents has been a wise one, the pupils are better prepared to enter the high school after a year spent with a large class, and furthermore no teacher should be obliged to teach more than the eight grades.

I advise that the maintaining of the ninth grade in the two districts be abolished and that all ninth grade pupils from these districts be brought to the center. I would allow a small transportation fee per day to each of such pupils.

POTATO CLUB. In May of last year under the direction of Prof. Hart of the State College, I formed a Boys' and Girls' Potato Club. Sixty-six children took part in this contest and showed great interest in the planting and culture of their potatoes as well as in the exhibit which was held under the auspices of the local grange.

I would like to see this work of the pupils in home gardening prosper, and believe that it is worthy of encouragement from every patron and lover of husbandry.

BLACKBOARDS. The blackboards at both of the district schools are in very poor condition. I think it would be advisable to place new slate boards in the front of the rooms at both buildings, the best slate costs twenty cents per square foot.

STATISTICS. I notice from the table of statistics that the per cent. of attendance is a little higher than last year. Parents should make every effort to have the children in school all the time when their health will permit. There are almost no cases of truancy, but there have been several cases in which we have had to ask the assistance of the truant officer to oblige parents to keep their children in school.

RECOMMENDATION. I advise and recommend the fittings up of a laboratory for the high school at once, the purchase of one slate board for each district school, during the summer, the lengthening of the school year one or two weeks and the securing of a teacher of music. The two latter recommendations to go into effect whenever the town sees the wisdom of them and makes the necessary appropriation.

VACCINATION. Let me again call the attention of parents and guardians to the vaccination law. No children should be sent to school who have not been vaccinated.

In closing I wish to call your attention to the report of the high school principal which follows.

I wish also to express my appreciation for the loyal co-operation of the teachers and the support you have always given me.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. RANDALL,
Superintendent

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

DEAR SIR :

In this my third annual report I find myself obliged to repeat much of what I have said before. While the school as a whole has continued to maintain the studious and ambitious atmosphere there is room for improvement in one or two cases.

The class which graduated last June fully equalled the prophecies which had been made for it, and the members who sought admission to higher institutions succeeded without exception in their efforts. Their success was a credit to them and to the school and showed that the Rutland High School has reached a higher standard.

The second year of the uniform course of study has shown the advantages of this course from the start. Because of it we were able to take up the work last fall knowing just what we were each to do and thereby the loss of time was eliminated. The classes which had been in school the preceeding year had signified their intentions of taking certain courses this year, and this with the fact that there was no change of teachers made it possible for us to make this year a continuation of last year. The school was in such good running order that the

change of assistants early in January made little if any change in the progress. All the classes continued as before the change fully appreciating the good qualities of their new teacher and doing what they could to help her get acquainted with her duties.

During the first few weeks of the fall we were somewhat handicapped by the work on the new addition to the building, but with its completion and the increased accommodations our previous inconvenience was forgotten, although the original plans included a science laboratory in the basement that has not yet been completed. However as we all realize the necessity of such an addition to the equipment we hope that the near future will see it accomplished.

Once more I find myself compelled to repeat that not a parent of a high school pupil, other than school officials, has visited the school. This can no doubt be explained in various and good ways, but I am sure it is not through lack of interest. If the parents however realized that an occasional visit would be a stimulus to the efforts of their children I am certain they would make an effort to see what they are doing. By my monthly reports of serious deficiencies I have attempted to keep the parents informed, but even these can not take the place of a first hand knowledge.

It is a source of satisfaction that the tone of the school continues to be so good. Each class has taken a step forward and shows an earnest desire and ambition to equal if not excel the accomplishments of its predecessor. The new pupils have fallen readily into the routine of the school and have on the whole shown an earnestness which points to future success.

The attendance in the high school as well as in the grades has not been as good as it should be especially during this winter term, but this no doubt can be explained in a large measure by

the weather conditions. The averages for the school have been greatly decreased also by the failure of some of the parents to send notice that their children had left. This has made it necessary for them to be marked absent for a number of days before their names were definitely removed from the register.

Our successes of last year in athletics have been repeated and excelled this year though with a measure of misfortune. The chief aim of high school athletics however, namely to teach a spirit of true sportmanship, has been realized and even the unfortunate experiences which we have had have taught a lesson by showing clearly what should not be. The spring will we hope furnish an opportunity for renewed efforts both in track athletics and baseball. The small number of boys however makes it difficult to organize a baseball team without drawing on the grades, in which case it would of course not be a high school team.

The school has then completed another successful year and there is every reason to believe the present progress will continue. We hope that we may continue to have the support and co-operation of the parents and we urge that with the coming of better weather many parents may find it possible to visit the school in session and thus see what progress their children are making when compared with other members of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEONARD,

Principal

ROLL OF HONOR

THREE TERMS

Bertha Davis, Dorice Moulton

TWO TERMS

Ruth Forbush, Frederic Holbrook, Frank Maynard, Bernice Putnam, George Putnam, Hazel Taylor, Inez Taylor, Arthur Hammond, Albina Celle, James Scott, Ruth Adamson, Leonard Cullen, Helen Welch, Bernard Jenkins, Lloyd Viner, Joseph Deangelis, Walter Dame, Oliver Davis, Veronica Deangelis, George Campbell, Eva Hatstat, Ruth Davis, Joseph Bowen.

ONE TERM

Fannie Miles, Avery Putnam, Clara Robinson, Ethel Dickson, Mildred Prouty, Ruth Swanson, Frank Brooks, Margaret Cullen, Marian Welch, Clifford Gray, Albert Cullen, Raymond Gleason, Rufus Putnam, James Scott, Elizabeth Wheeler, Mary Lyons, Joseph Scott, Margaret Welch, Ruth Lyman, James Martin, Walter Putnam, Chamberlain Williams, Joseph Powe, Freeland Dingly, Bertha Eccleston, Tynne Saiple, Douglas Viner, Florence Wheeler, John Deangelis, Walter Burke, Mark Burke, Evelyn Ware, Pearl Booth, Raymond Dame, Lila Strong, Genevieve Davis, Mary Bacon, Willie Griffin, Albert Hill, Ruth Allen, Alice Hatstat, Charles Hatstat, Edith Handy, Warren Hatstat.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

SCHOOL	TEACHER	PREPARATION	Number of weeks service in year	Total Enrollment	Present Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Number of Pupils 7 to 14		
HIGH	Edward H. Leonard Mary L. Harwood Lillian Symonds	Dartmouth* Smith* Wellesley*	40 31 9	40	36	38.8	37.7	97.1	1		
GRAMMAR	Marguerite Coydevant	Boston University*	34	27	26	26.2	24.1	92.	16		
SUB GRAMMAR	Eva S. Allen	Cushing Academy*	34	27	27	26	25.	96.	25		
INTERMEDIATE	Helen G. Moran	Worcester Normal*	23	37	35	36	32.4	90.	37		
PRIMARY	Bessie H. Bartlett	Wheelock Kindergarten*	34	38	33	35	31	87.	20		
WEST	Helen G. Moran Agnes Gilway	Worcester Normal* Worcester Normal*	11 23	21	17	17.5	16.5	92.3	16		
NORTH	Katharine S. McGrath	Worcester Normal*	34	34	26	28.4	25.8	91	24		

NOTES. *Indicates Graduates.

Figures based on Records since September.

	High	Grammar	Sub Grammar	Intermediate	Primary	West	North
Number of Boys	16	16	17	18	18	15	15
Number of Girls	24	11	10	19	20	16	19



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TOWN OFFICERS

For the Year Ending March 1, 1913

TOWN CLERK

LOUIS N. HANFF

Term expires 1913

SELECTMEN

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1914

J. WARREN MOULTON

Term expires 1913

THOMAS P. O'HERRON

Term expires 1915

ASSESSORS

DENNIS A. SMITH

Term expires 1914

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1913

GEORGE H. MILES

Term expires 1915

OVERSEERS OF POOR

JOHN W. MUNROE

Term expires 1913

JOSEPH E. WARE

Term expires 1915

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1914

TREASURER, H. EDWARD WHEELER

COLLECTOR, CHARLES J. CAMPBELL

WATER COMMISSIONERS

EDWARD VINER

Team expires 1915

GEORGE H. MILES

Term expires 1913

D. J. FITZGERALD

Term expires 1914

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

GEORGE N. LAPHAM

Term expires 1914

LOUIS M. HANFF

Term expires 1913

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1915

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM E. CHAMBERLAIN

Term expires 1913

JOSEPH W. O'CONNOR

Term expires 1914

WALTER A. WHEELER

Term expires 1915

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE

Term expires 1913

MRS. MARY E. CONVERSE

Term expires 1914

MRS. SADIE P. MORRIS

Term expires 1915

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR, FRANK D. FORBUSH

AUDITOR, CLIFFORD J. GRAY

TREE WARDEN, FRANK D. FORBUSH

CONSTABLES

EDWARD C. ALLEN* MATTHEW J. CULLEN HOWARD S. DAVIS

HOMER P. LOVERIN MICHAEL H. SCOTT

*Did not qualify

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

JOSEPH E. WARE

MILES E. GRIFFIN

ARTHUR E. CODDING

FIELD DRIVERS

JOSEPH E. WARE

HOMER B. LOVERIN

HORACE E. SMITH

POUND KEEPER, JOHN H. GRIFFIN

CATTLE INSPECTOR, CLINTON B. SCOTT

MEAT AND PROVISION INSPECTOR, CLINTON B. SCOTT

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, LOUIS M. HANFF

FENCE VIEWERS

GEORGE M. TAYLOR

WESTON R. UPTON

MATTHEW DELHANTY

SOLDIERS' BURIAL AGENT, ROLAND C. PRESCOTT

DOG OFFICER, DENNIS A. SMITH

MOTH INSPECTOR, H. EDWARD WHEELER

SPECIAL POLICE

GEORGE H. MILES

DENNIS A. SMITH

WALTER C. BROWN

JOHN W. MCGANN

GEORGE C. ERSKINE

FRED J. TUCKER

WILLARD J. TURNER

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

WALTER C. BROWN

JOHN W. MCGANN

DEXTER MARSH

WARRANT

FOR

Town Meeting, March 31, 1913

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To EITHER of the Constables of the Town of Rutland
in the County of Worcester.

Worcester, ss.

Greeting :

In the uame of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Rutland, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in the town hall in said Rutland, on the thirty-first day of March inst., at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles :

ARTICLE 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the annual reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3 To bring in and deposit their ballots for a Town Clerk, for three years, for one Selectman for three years, for one Assessor for three years, for one Overseer of Poor for three years, for a Treasurer for one year, for a Collector of Taxes for one year, for one Water Commissioner for three years, for one Water Commissioner for two years, to fill vacancy, for one

School Committee for three years, for one member of Board of Health for three years, for one member of Board of Health for one year, to fill vacancy, for one Library Trustee for three years, for Highway Surveyor for one year, for Auditor for one year, for a Tree Warden for one year, for five Constables for one year, and to vote "Yes" or "No" on the question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

All the above to be voted for on one ballot, each to specify the person to be voted for by placing a cross (X) after his name.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A. M., and may close at two o'clock P. M.

ART. 4 To choose all necessary town officers and committees.

ART. 5 To see what interest shall be paid on taxes not paid in a specified time.

ART. 6 To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town, in anticipation of taxes, under the approval of the Selectmen.

ART. 7 To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of the public schools, for repairs on highways and bridges, for support of poor, for salaries of town officers, for use on

Memorial Day, for contingent expenses, for paying debts and interest, for employment of school physician, for use of public library, for the enforcement of the liquor laws, for Soldier's relief.

ART. 8 To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation to the water department on account of hydrant service, and for replacing of water mains.

ART. 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for maintenance of street lights.

ART. 10 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay the corporate surety on the bonds of its bonded officials, as provided by Acts of 1897, or act anything thereon.

ART. 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for repairs on the public buildings.

ART. 12 To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes and Treasurer.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for expenses at fires and forest fires.

ART. 14 To see if the town will vote to appropriate any unexpended balances of appropriations there may be, the coming year, also any unappropriated money received by the treasurer.

ART. 15 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money to pay for work done in exterminating the gypsy and brown tail moths.

ART. 16 To see if the town will vote to bear the whole expense of destroying the gypsy and brown tail moths on private property.

ART. 17 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for poles and wire for electric lights from West Rutland school house to the railroad station at West Rutland.

ART. 18 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a sidewalk from West Rutland Village to West Rutland railroad station.

ART. 19 To see if the town will vote to purchase town scales, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 20 To see if the town will vote to appropriate money for a drain to the watering tubs.

ART. 21 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to extend the cast iron water mains through Edson Avenue, and make an appropriation therefor.

ART. 22 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Water Commissioners to put in a hydrant on Maple Avenue near the residence of William White.

ART. 23 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended on the old burying ground.

ART. 24 To see if the town will vote to raise the amount appropriated at a previous meeting, for the improvement of the road through the center of the town.

ART. 25 To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to make a contract with the State Highway Commissioners for the construction or improvement of the road through the center of the town.

ART. 26 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to light its streets with electricity, or take any action thereto.

ART. 27 To see what action the town will take relative to the payment of certain bills presented to the Board of Health for the board and care of certain patients in the State Sanatoriums, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ART. 28 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to defend the town in any suits that may be brought against the town.

ART. 29 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 to extend the present sidewalk on Maple Avenue northward to the junction of Main Street and southward to Prescott Avenue.

ART. 30 To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay a portion of the expense of installing an Asbestos Curtain in the town hall.

ART. 31 To see if the town will vote to continue the Electric Road Committe, or take any action thereon.

ART. 32 To see if the town will vote raise and appropriate the sum of \$500, or any part thereof, to be used in paying the expense of celebrating the two hundredth anniversary of the founding the town.

ART. 33 To see if the town will make an appropriation to fix the gutters on Main Street, so as to prevent the surface water flowing onto the premises of George H. Miles, or take any action thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof agreeable to vote of the town. One at each post-office, one at store at North Rutland and one at the public building in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereou to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
J. WARREN MOULTON,	
THOMAS P. O'HERRON,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland.</i>

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

BIRTHS

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths were recorded for the year 1912:

NAMES	PARENTS	DATE
		1912
Julia	Stephen and Anna (Mickalak) Rusek	June 5
Lena Louise	Howard and Effie (Hodges) George	June 17 In Natick
Charles F.	Timothy J. and Julia A. (Ronan) Dennehy	Aug. 3 In Worcester
Flora Maria	Frank B. and Elizabeth M. (Shaughessy) Bacon	Aug. 5 In Worcester
George Randolph	George C. and Iva L. (McArdle) Erskine	Nov. 11 In Boston

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
1912			
March 7	George N. Lapham Lilla D. Wheeler	Worcester	Rutland Rutland
July 9	John A. Wellington Adella Brown	Putnam, Conn.	Rutland Worcester
July 22	Mitchell L. Homme, Jr. Helen Marie Doherty	Holden	Rutland Rutland
September 8	Roland C. Prescott, Jr. Ada M. Metcalf	Beverly	Rutland Rutland
September 9	Alex Julsonnet Blanche Collen	Warren	Rutland Warren
September 14	Louis Cabot Mabel Van Camp	Danielson, Conn.	Rutland Clinton

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	RESIDENCE
1912			
September 17	Raymond Lufkin Elmia Laton	Holden	Worcester Rutland
September 19	Albert F. Wales Belle A. Fay	Rutland	Rutland Rutland
October 1	Arthur E. Coddington Nellie I. (Taylor) Allen	Boylston	Rutland Hubbardston
October 16	Henry R. Robinson Agota Pluskie	Cliuton	Rutland Berlin
October 19	John Cellucci Letitia Parri	Holden	Hudson Rutland
October 28	Michael J. Moran Mary E. O'Connell	Worcester	Rutland Worcester
December 25	William L. Locke Mary L. Murdock	Hubbardston	Rutland Hubbardston

DEATHS

Residents of Rutland

DATE	NAME AND DISEASE	AGE	RESIDENCE
1912		y. m. d.	
Jan. 27	Lora (Rich) Charter, (in Monson) Caracinona	63 4 24	Rutland
Feb. 18	Clara (Perry) Strong Pneumonia	43 10 3	"
April 30	Margaret McCarthy Pneumonia	75 — —	"
June 29	Mary J. Quimby Gangrene	64 7 9	"
July 18	Harlin P. Bliss, (in Worcester) Insanity	59 — 1	"
July 26	Elizabeth S. Grant Weakness	— — 16	"
Aug. 18	Margaret H. Sargent Gastro Enteritis	85 3 27	"
Aug. 29	Nora Gleason Regurgitation	20 10 1	"
Oct. 23	Olive Hanson Tuberculosis	11 1 29	"
Oct. 28, 1911.	Female Infant, (in Holyoke)		"

The following persons were in Rutland for treatment in
State or Private Institutions :

DATE	NAME AND DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
		y.	m.	d.	
1912					
Jan. 1	Peter Edward Curran	41	9	11	Portland, Maine
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 4	Mabel Marsh	23	2	28	Watertown
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 14	Thomas L. Duncan	29	7	8	Methuen
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 12	Jahn Janiz	21	6	27	Boston
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 9	Collastus Barlow	18	11	27	Fall River
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 9	Daniel M. Sullivan	35	—	—	Roxbury
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 8	Frank E. Faulkner	38	2	2	Salem
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 17	Jennie M. Collins	29	5	2	Waltham
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 23	Sylvester J. Riley	28	10	29	Lowell
	Valvular Heart Disease				
Jan. 28	Arvilla Whitney Blood	49	3	3	Brooklyn, N. Y.
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Jan. 27	Albert A. West	37	7	24	Boston
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Feb. 11	Daniel J. Cunningham	23	3	17	Newton
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Feb. 11	Joseph Lizzotte	18	2	30	New Bedford
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Feb. 12	Blanche M. Lee	31	1	3	Brattleboro, Vt.
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Feb. 24	George W. Bormerman	34	8	6	Townsend
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Feb. 28	Lillian G. Libbey	48	10	13	Allston
	Empyema				
Mar. 13	David Leviton	39	7	27	Boston
	Tub. Meningitis				
Mar. 21	Frank F. Dodge	52	8	22	Boston
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
Mar. 17	Anita Mondeville	19	9	—	Gardner
	Pulmonary Tuberculosis				

DATE 1912	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y,	m.	d.	
Mar. 15	Alfred W. Edwards	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	59	3	15	Hopedale
Mar. 22	Gertrude E. Wyman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	41	6	17	Medford
Mar. 28	Margaret T. Casey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	7	14	Holyoke
Mar. 31	Ruby Myrtle Trueworthy	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	41	3	8	Boston
April 4	Theodore L. Johnson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	32	11	22	Athol
April 6	Blanche L. Downing	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	9	20	Boston
April 10	John Carroll Boyle	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	5	7	Somerville
April 11	Vincenzo Mirabito	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	29	—	—	Waltham
April 6	Littleton Stith	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	8	22	Roxbury
April 13	Rose Teman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	7	29	Boston
April 14	Eva G. Boyle	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	2	5	Worcester
April 17	Harry Aronson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	39	11	20	Somerville
April 18	Joseph T. McDonald	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	10	10	Roxbury
April 25	Charles Calman	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	53	2	4	Boston
April 30	Ethel Belcher	Pernicious Anaemia	31	10	29	Dedham
April 23	George W. Anderson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	24	5	12	Worcester
May 10	Charles Erven	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	66	6	19	Hyde Park
May 19	Morrison Dwight Montague	Nephritis	64	8	—	Springfield
May 20	Fred A. Eddy	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	38	7	7	Plymouth
May 30	Harold Prout	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	8	10	Quincy

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
1912			y.	m.	d.	
May 31	Michael J. Shea	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	1	—	Haverhill
May 31	Helen A. Ryan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	4	29	Cambridge
May 22	Ruth Anderson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	3	17	West Brookfield
June 4	Grace Lacross	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	5	10	Worcester
June 12	Mary Lañtila Diabiale	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	—	—	Worcester
June 12	George L. Brown	Valvular Heart Disease	45	1	9	Brockton
June 12	Isaac Greenstein	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	11	18	Boston
June 15	Michael V. Mooney	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	6	15	Whitinsville
June 19	Lillian G. Duncan	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	8	23	Norwood
June 21	Lena Morrissey	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	3	24	Norwood
June 21	*Jennie M. Reblin, (in Westfield)	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	1	18	Rutland
June 23	Angus Pine	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	11	13	Gloucester
June 26	Frank T. Lanigan	Pneumothorax	29	10	12	Boston
May 14	James N. Neville	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	46	1	27	New Bedford
May 19	Etta M. Douglass	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	8	8	Malden
July 5	Francis P. Kelley	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	22	5	22	Beverly
July 15	William O'Maley	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	23	11	3	Gloucester
July 19	Elizabeth Wilson	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	—	4	Boston
July 22	Bessie A. Doyle	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	6	17	Roxbury
July 23	Frank O. Sederquist	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	41	9	19	Lynn

DATE	NAME	DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
			y.	m.	d.	
1912						
July 24	Omer Gamache	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	6	10	Holyoke
July 31	Michael L. Howe	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	43	2	21	Worcester
Aug. 6	Timothy A O'Neil	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	18	2	28	Boston
Aug. 10	William O'Keefe	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	56	11	10	Randolph
Aug. 13	Eugene Ferris	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	5	17	New York, N. Y.
Aug. 20	Charles R. Ruben	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	16	6	4	Brockton
Aug. 24	Clarence V. Murphy	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	11	9	Baltimore, Md.
Aug 31	Walter J. O'Connor	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	17	11	27	Worcester
Sept. 4	Clara S. Brown	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	5	5	Worcester
Sept. 16	Lester H. Hodgdon	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	4	27	North Attleboro
Sept. 17	Howard P. Kerr	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	25	1	27	Gloucester
Sept 27	John Talasopoulos	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	19	9	28	Haverhill
Sept. 22	*Joseph D. Kelly (in Boston)	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	35	—	—	Rutland
Oct. 4	John J. Rylander	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	24	1	23	Lynn
Oct. 10	William J. Ferris	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	7	15	Fitchburg
Oct. 26	Daniel S. A. Disario	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	2	1	Boston
Oct 29	Mary L. Kimball	Abscess of Lung	24	10	6	So. Framingham
Nov. 1	Ida M. Montgomery	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	24	3	22	Saugus
Nov. 2	Clinton E. Gray	Acute Miliary	31	—	5	Plainville
Nov. 7	Mary L. Doyle	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	31	—	5	Plainville, N. Y.

DATE	NAME AND DISEASE	AGE			RESIDENCE
		y.	m.	d.	
1912					
Nov. 12	*Frank Rocea (in Westfield) Pulmonary Tuberculosis	27	10	10	Rutland
Nov. 18	William Sloane Pulmonary Tuberculosis	30	—	—	Boston
Nov. 19	Wilkins L. Gilbert Pulmonary Tuberculosis	50	1	13	Winthrop
Dec. 13	Arthur Shackleton Pulmonary Tuberculosis	40	10	14	E. Longmeadow
Dec. 24	Harold Halstead Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28	2	25	Waltham

*Not residents of Rutland, were sent to other institutions from Rutland and returns made to Rutland.

DOGS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR 1912:

Cash received for 59 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	\$118 00
Cash received for 3 Female Dogs @ \$5.00	15 00
Total	\$133 00
Less 62 fees @ 20¢	12 40
Paid County Treasurer	\$120 60

During the year 1912 there were 100 Resident Hunters Certificates issued.

The following List of Jurors were selected by the Selectmen in June 1912 and returned to the Town Clerk:

Thomas P. O'Herron	William L. Locke
Arther E. Coddington	Charles E. Carroll
William J. Prescott	Clarence W. Griffin
Joseph E. Ware	George E. Smith
Walter H. Bartlett	Wenzell J. Brodmerkle
Homer S. Loverin	George H. Rice
A. Clifford Wheeler	William H. Maynard
Roland C. Prescott	Louis M. Hanff
Richard Loughman	Lewis R. Bigelow

Joseph M. Moulton

OF THIS LIST WERE DRAWN

Clarence W. Griffin

Lewis R. Bigelow

Joseph E. Ware

I again call your attention to the following :

SPECIAL NOTICE.—As there are many omissions in the Town Records of Births from 1800 to 1860, the Town Clerk would appreciate any information from private records in the possession of Rutland citizens, especially records in old family bibles.

Any person having such records, please notify the Town Clerk, that copies of such may be made by him.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Town Clerk

Rutland, March 1, 1913

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Condition of the Town for the Year ending
March 1, 1913

The report of the Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1913 is herewith submitted.

We have drawn orders on the Town Treasurer, amounting to \$41,655.84, as follows:

Appropriation	\$1100 00	
Received from State one-half compensation inspection of animals	42 35	
Amount available		\$1142 35

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

TOWN CLERK

Louis M. Hanff	\$50 50	\$50 50
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SELECTMEN

William C. Temple	\$75 00	
J. Warren Moulton	75 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	\$75 00	
		\$225 00

ASSESSORS

Dennis A. Smith	\$67 50	
Joseph E. Ware	75 00	
George H. Miles	40 00	
		\$182 50

OVERSEERS OF POOR

John W. Munroe	\$11 00	
Joseph E. Ware	30 00	
Louis M. Hanff	15 25	
	<hr/>	\$56 25

WATER COMMISSIONERS

George H. Miles	\$10 00	\$10 00
Edward Viner		
Daniel J. Fitzgerald		

COLLECTOR

John W. Munroe, 1912	\$128 47	
“ “ 1913	25 47	
Charles J. Campbell, taxes	252 00	
“ “ water rents	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$445 94

TREASURER

H. Edward Wheeler	\$125 00	\$125 00
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AUDITOR

Clifford J. Gray	\$23 00	\$23 00
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REGISTRARS

Louis M. Hanff	\$15 00	
William C. Temple	12 00	
J. Warren Moulton	12 00	
Thomas P. O'Herron	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$51 00

ELECTION OFFICERS

William J. Prescott	\$4 00	
A. Clifford Wheeler	2 00	
Fred W. Hatstatt	8 00	
Matthew J. Cullen	2 00	
Richard Loughman	8 00	
Joseph M. Moulton	2 00	
Joseph E. Ware	4 00	
Matthew Delehanty	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$32 00

CONSTABLES

Dennis A. Smith, 1912	16 00	
Howard S. Davis	13 00	
Michael H. Scott	4 50	
Matthew J. Cullen	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$36 50

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Clinton B. Scott	\$68 20	\$68 20
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DOG OFFICER

Dennis A. Smith	\$5 00	\$5 00
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Amount expended for town officers salaries \$1310 89

Amount overdrawn 168 54

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$4600 00	
Receipts from all other sources	1889 01	
Total	<hr/>	\$6489 01
Orders drawn		7617 15
Amount overdrawn		1128 14

(See report of School Committee)

POOR

Appropriation	\$400 00	
Orders drawn	385 04	
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Balance unexpended		\$14 96
(See report of Overseers)		

HIGHWAYS

Appropriation	\$1850 00	
Orders drawn	1830 57	
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Balance unexpended		\$19 43
(See report of Highway Surveyor)		

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$50 00	
Order drawn	40 00	
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Balance unexpended		\$10 00

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation (dog fund)	\$166 52	
Balance unexpended of last year	35 96	
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Total		\$202 48
Orders drawn		\$181 90
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Balance unexpended		\$20 58

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation	\$25 00	
Paid Dr. W. E. Chamberlain, 1905-1911	175 00	
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Amount overdrawn		\$150 00

LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$300 00
Paid Town of Holden, lamps	\$28 00	
Brewer & Co., paint	85	
Ralph W. Temple, carting lamps and labor	6 00	
W. H. Scott, labor	4 75	
F. B. Cannon, ladder and expenses	1 60	
W. C. Temple, labor on lamps	11 50	
C. W. Griffin, oil and supplies	22 60	
J. Warren Moulton, chimneys	3 94	
H. A. Ballou, glass	6 89	
Roy K. Peebles, lighting lamps	45 00	
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		\$131 13
Balance unexpended		<hr/>
		\$168 87

SOLDIERS RELIEF

Appropriation	\$75 00	
Orders drawn	60 00	
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Balance unexpended		\$15 00

REPAIRS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$200 00
Paid George L. Rich, cement work	\$57 55	
George E. Gorden, labor	36 50	
Leslie S. Prescott, team work	13 25	
Wilson & Holden, cement	11 25	
L. M. Hanff, labor and material	29 50	
Ernest A. Graton, labor	41 12	
Arthur F. Fales, labor	39 95	
Howard S. Davis, carpenter work	19 11	
H. M. Waite & Co., hardware	5 00	
		<hr/>
		\$253 23
Amount overdrawn		53 23

LIQUOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

Appropriation	\$100 00
Paid E. W. Merrick, court fees	33 72
Balance unexpended	<u>\$66 28</u>

DEBTS AND INTEREST

Appropriation		\$6000 00
Paid State of Mass., on water loan	\$1500 00	
“ “ on building loan	1000 00	
“ “ on refund loan	500 00	
Peoples Savings Bank, refund loan	2000 00	
Worcester Five Cent Bank, building loan	400 00	
		<u>\$5400 00</u>
Merchants Nat. Bank, temporary loan	10000 00	
Worcester Five Cents Bank, “	6000 00	
		<u>\$16000 00</u>

INTEREST

Paid State of Mass	\$853 75	
Peoples Savings Bank	120 00	
Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank	433 55	
Hersom Bros.	17 50	
Worcester County Institution	350 00	
Merchants National Bank	341 11	
		<u>\$2115 91</u>
Total of orders drawn for notes and interest		23515 91
Deducting from this total the temporary loan paid	\$16000 00	
The interest on water loan assumed by the Water Department	561 00	
The Collector has received from interest on taxes	524 34	
Total		<u>\$17085 34</u>
Which amount deducted from the orders leaves		\$6430 57
Appropriation		6000 00
Overdrawn		<u>\$430 57</u>

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCOUNT

Paid George H. Miles, janitor	\$270 00	
Michael H. Scott "	270 00	
George H. Miles, supplies and repairs	36 04	
" " new lavatory and fountains	55 75	
R. K. Pratt Coal Co., coal	572 57	
Marsh Ice Co., coal	29 77	
H. W. Calkins, drawing coal	48 76	
B. & M. R. R., freight	244 76	
F. D. Forbush, drawing coal	7 88	
W. G. Wales, " "	27 24	
Leslie S. Prescott, drawing coal	6 00	
H. W. Calkins, wood	7 00	
Dennis O'Herron, wood	40 50	
Brewer & Co.	20 19	
Fred A. Kehoe, lumber	5 35	
H. W. Butterfield, oil and supplies	12 88	
George H. Clark & Co., glass	3 84	
Stone, Underhill Co., furnace repairs	41 90	
C. W. Griffin, oil and supplies	38 49	
Continental Mfg Co., dustolene	8 75	
Louis M. Hanff, paint and labor	6 80	
George E. Gordon, shoveling coal	1 25	
Gordon Calkins, " "	4 00	
George R. Mixter, labor	3 45	
C. C. Lowell Co., paint supplies	11 50	
W. M. Bulfinch, supplies	1 05	
Clark, Sawyer Co., lamp chimney	12 92	
F. B. Cannon, express	1 00	
W. H. Robinson, stove pipe	2 33	
		\$1791 97
The rentals received from the Hall have been	\$268 90	
Received for coal sold from public building supply	32 30	
Total receipts		\$301 20
Net expense		\$1490 77

Of the foregoing amount two-thirds or	\$993 85
is charged to school account and	
one-third or	496 92
is charged to public building.	

By vote of the town all unexpended balances, and all unappropriated money received by the Treasurer, are added to incidental appropriation.

Appropriation by town	\$2200 00	
Poor department balance unexpended	\$14 96	
Memorial Day	10 00	
Street lights	168 87	
Soldiers Relief	15 00	
Liquor Law	66 28	
Unappropriated money received by Treasurer	163 51	
Total amount available		\$2638 62

SNOW

Paid Labeaux Bros	\$8 60	
F. D. Forbush	7 60	
Gorden Calkins	2 00	
George H. Rice	3 70	
Edward R. Flaherty	1 30	
W. H. Maynard	7 00	
W. G. Wales	1 20	
		\$31 40

INCIDENTALS

Paid Frank A. Smith & Son, insurance	\$40 00	
Sanford-Putnam Co., Assessors' supplies	2 90	
A. W. Brownell, " "	5 35	
E. H. Tripp, printing ballots	21 25	
" " " town reports	81 90	
" " " valuation reports	59 45	
" " " sundries	46 00	

Paid Brierly-Lombard Co., chemical bottles	\$15 12
W. G. Sargent, express	2 85
C. J. Campbell, collector, postage	6 50
L. M. Hanff, treasurer and collector bond	23 00
Joseph Strong, cleaning N. B. cemetery	12 20
Carter Ink Co., record ink	75
B. P. Murphy, dog blanks	1 50
F. B. Cannon, express	95
Bureau of Statistics, certifying notes	6 00
Wright & Potter, printing	2 25
Hobbs & Warren, sealers record	2 50
W. & L. E. Gurley, sealers supplies	19 83
J. E. O'Connor, repairing water trough	6 70
Boston Nickel Plating Co., sealers weights	2 30
Hobbs Little Co., examining titles	10 95
Brewer & Co., fire chemicals	4 26
Central Supply Co., pump valves	72
R. C. Prescott & Son, death returns	13 25
H. W. Calkins, express	3 25
W. E. Chamberlain, reporting births	35 75
E. W. Coffin, collector's safe	30 00
Fred A. Kehoe, care dumping ground	5 00
W. M. Bulfinch, election officers dinners	5 71
Rutland Baking Co., election officers dinners	1 30
W. E. Chambertain, medical service	10 00
J. E. O'Connor, steps for fire auto	4 00
A. C. Wheeler, transporting prisoner	5 00
Wm. Morasky, labor moving safe	2 00
J. Warren Moulton, sending moth notices	5 50
“ “ attending highway com- mission hearing	4 00
“ “ postage and express	5 00
Wakefield Daily Item, moth notices	2 25

Paid State Board of Health, branding outfit	\$2 65	
H. W. Calkins, wood for hose house	11 50	
Burton W. Potter, legal advice	2 00	
Iver Johnson Co., handcuffs	4 75	
C. J. Gray, auditor's postage	2 67	
Joseph E. Ware, maintaining water trough	5 00	
W. C. Temple, attending highway commiss- ioners hearing	3 00	
" " attending two legislative hearings	9 00	
" " telephone and telegraph ex- pense on street railway bill	3 50	
" " postage and express	1 50	
Howard S. Davis, court expenses	18 14	
H. E. Wheeler, postage and expense on notes,	15 00	
Thos. P. O'Herron, postage	50	
Louis M. Hanff, town clerks returns and expenses	60 50	
" " postage	9 50	
" " agent Board of Health	12 00	
" " sealer weights and measures	3 75	
" " Justice of Peace	4 00	
L. Q. Spaulding, care of town clock 2 years	35 00	
Total		\$711 20
Paid H. E. Wheeler, moth work	\$166 42	
Gordon Calkins	81 87	
E. A. Graton	27 50	
N. Y. & Boston Bag Co.	4 70	\$280 49
Paid Henry Converse and others, forest fires	\$95 25	
J. E. O'Connor, team	29 00	
D. J. Fitzgerald, use of auto	5 00	
F. C. Hubbard, chemicals	3 00	
L. M. Hanff	2 66	
H. W. Butterfield	4 52	\$139 43

Paid Franklin Sq. Garage Co., auto truck	\$1000 000	
Brierly-Lombard Co., extinguishers, etc.	136 50	
Brewer & Co., chemicals	15 94	
Ross Bros., tools	4 03	\$1156 47
Reimbursed by State		250 00
Total		<u>\$906 47</u>

Paid Henry Converse, care of common	\$25 00	\$25 00
Vault Bank & Office Co., vault fittings	119 00	119 00
Total incidentals		2181 59
Snow bills		31 40
Total		<u>\$2212 99</u>
Amount not drawn		425 63

Incidental balance	\$425 63	
Income from Water Department, above amount used by Assessors in tax levy	230 70	
Tax overlayings	99 75	
Additional assessments	105 41	
Total		<u>\$861 49</u>

From this amount should be deducted the overdrawn appropriation as follows :

Schools	\$1128 14	
Town officers	168 54	
School Physician	150 00	
Repairs on public building	53 23	
Debts and interest	430 57	
Maintenance of public building	496 85	
Tax abatements, 1912	65 97	
		<u>\$2493 30</u>

Which shows a balance against the town in its
running expenses for the past year of 1631 81

RECAPITULATION

Town officers	\$1310 89
Schools	6623 31
Poor	385 03
Highways	1830 57
State aid	322 00
Soldiers relief	60 00
Memorial Day	40 00
Public Library	181 90
Public Building	1391 66
Water Department	2538 18
Repairs on Public Building	253 23
Street Lights	131 13
Incidentals	711 20
School Physician	175 00
Snow	31 40
Moths	280 49
Fires	139 34
Auto Truck	1156 47
Common	25 00
Town Vault	119 00
Notes	21400 00
Interest	2115 91
Liquor Law enforcement	33 72
Total	<hr/> \$41655 84

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES

State Treasurer, water loan	\$14000 00
“ “ “	1500 00
Hersom Bros., “	1000 00
State Treasurer, building loan	6000 00
Peoples Savings Bank, ten year loan	2000 00
Wor. County Institution, refund loan	10000 00
Wor. Five Cent Savings Bank, building loan	3100 99
“ “ “ “ temporary loan	7500 00
	<hr/> \$45100 00

RESOURCES

Due from State Aid	\$322 00	
Unpaid water rents	323 21	
Uncollected taxes in Collector's hand	8824 84	
Cash in treasury	1225 57	
Total		\$10695 62
Net debt of town		\$34404 38

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
J. WARREN MOUTLON,	
THOMAS P. O'HERRON,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Rutland</i>

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1913

PAID

NUMBER	FULLY SUPPORTED		
No. 1	Charlton Poor Farm Association	\$201 78	\$201 78

NUMBER	PARTIALLY SUPPORTED		
Nos. 1 and 2	Town of Berlin	\$52 00	
3	Town of Rutland	21 00	
4	Charlton Poor Farm Association	44 54	
5	City of Worcester	21 43	
6	City of Worcester	44 29	
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			\$183 26
			<hr/>
			385 04

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MUNROE,	}	<i>Overseers of Poor</i>
JOSEPH E. WARE,		
LOUIS M. HANFF,		

YEARLY REPORT OF THE
CHARLTON POOR FARM ASSOC'N

FEBRUARY 1, 1911, TO FEBRUARY 1, 1912

EXPENDITURES

Salary, warden and matron	\$650 00
Outside help	335 65
Inside help	430 23
Groceries	1217 56
Meat	323 82
Grain	1181 87
Boots, shoes, clothing	82 84
Medicine and medical attendance	111 59
Miscellaneous	430 15
Fish and oysters	57 37
Tobacco	31 32
Rent and interest	585 06
Wood and coal	256 18
Stock	532 50
Tools and seeds	186 62
Hardware	20 62
Replenishing	43 50
Phosphate	47 00
Blacksmithing	54 84
Filling Silo	74 25
Dry Goods	190 99
Horse	150 00
Veterinary	14 70
Harness	15 50

\$7024 94

RECEIPTS

Milk	\$2411 70
Eggs and poultry	90 96
Stock	353 12
Outside labor	430 96
Miscellaneous	112 41
Vegetables	103 00
Hay	50 00
Board received from sundry persons	190 50

CASH RECEIVED

Charlton	329 11
Leicester	599 25
Paxton	201 91
Auburn	254 89
Westminster	751 00
Princeton	201 91
Holden	247 16
Hubbardston	369 85
Rutland	246 32
Hardwick	89 89

\$7024 94

The number of inmates who have been supported by the Charlton Poor Farm Association from Feb. 1, 1912 to Feb. 1, 1913, constitutes the following apportionment :

TOWN	INMATES	WEEKS	PRICE	
Charlton	2	85 $\frac{2}{7}$	\$3 86.3	\$329 11
Leicester	4	156 $\frac{1}{7}$	"	599 25
Paxton	1	52 $\frac{2}{7}$	"	201 91
Auburn	2	66	"	254 89
Westminster	4	194 $\frac{3}{7}$	"	751 00
Princeton	1	52 $\frac{2}{7}$	"	201 91
Holden	3	64	"	247 16
Hubbardston	2	97 $\frac{3}{7}$	"	360 85
Rutland	2	63 $\frac{6}{7}$	"	246 32
Hardwick	4	23 $\frac{2}{7}$	"	89 89

\$3282 29

HOBART RAYMOND, President
 E. W. MERRICK, Secretary
 A. F. PUTNAM, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

The town appropriated sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600.00) to be used during the year 1912 for the repair of its highways and bridges. Also two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) was appropriated; one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of which was to be used for sidewalks and one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) for cutting brush.

According to my record the amounts expended each month for the repair of the roads, sidewalks and for cutting brush are :

In the month of April	\$147 56	
May	439 93	
June	447 16	
July	20 76	
August	173 70	
September	270 25	
October	144 68	
	<hr/>	\$1669 15
Tools	\$8 17	
Blacksmithing	3 80	
Scraper Edge	8 50	
Culvert Pipe	82 80	
Gravel	11 76	
Culvert	4 00	
Stone for Sidewalks	20 00	
Freight on Stone	17 00	
Bridge Plank	30 50	
	<hr/>	\$1830 57

THE LIST OF TOOLS BELONGING TO THE TOWN
ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2 road machines
1 plow
5 shovels
4 picks
1 stone hammar
2 iron bars
6 hoes
2 drills
1 fork
1 brush scythe
And 350 feet of bridge plank

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK D. FORBUSH,

Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

There has been a steady increase in the number of patrons during the year, but three of the larger users of water have given up private sanatoriums and the income from these places is less than in the past.

The supply pipe running up Edson Avenue, is insufficient for the number of patrons, and as there is property that needs fire protection on this line, it is no more than right to put in larger pipe and hydrants for fire protection.

There is also need of another hydrant on Maple Avenue, in the vicinity of the houses of William White. It is recommended that the town vote to appropriate, out of the income of the Water Department, a sum sufficient to do this work.

There are now 60 meters used by 59 patrons, and 52 connections of patrons paying for unmetered water. It would be best if every consumer would have a meter installed.

According to the record of Edward Viner, Engineer at the Pumping Station, there was pumped during the year 36,145,864 gallons.

The largest amount pumped in any one week was in the second week in July, 1,024,576 gallons. In any one day, March 12th, 276,716 gallons, (at the time of the Prospect House fire.)

The meters at the Sanatorium registered 20,067,102 gallons. About 3,200,000 gallons through meters of town patrons.

Allowing 8% for slip of the pump, it is estimated that 33,254,187 gallons actually pumped into the stand pipe, deducting what was metered leaves about 10,900,000 gallons used by patrons paying flat rate, watering troughs, public building and other public purposes.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Dr.

Russell K. Pratt Co., coal	\$704 20
Pocahontas Coal Co., coal	135 00
Marsh Ice Co., screenings	16 07
Henry W. Calkins, cartage	5 20
Brewer & Co., paint, oils, packing	73 15
Neptune Water Co., meters and disks	87 12
Central Supply Co.	236 28
Edward H. Tripp, printing and book	10 25
John N. Dickson, labor on frozen pipe	1 70
E. F. Handy, " " "	2 98
Edward Viner, service as engineer pumping	576 15
" " repairs at pumping station	34 61
" " labor on leaks on water pipes	11 38
" " labor on construction work	7 47
George Gordon, labor on leaks and repairs	24 01
" " labor on construction work	43 50
" " labor on stand pipe	22 75
Gordon Calkins, labor on leaks	26 29
" " labor on construction work	28 70
H. W. Butterfield, assignee, oil and chimney	92
Ralph W. Temple, carting coal	113 76
Blake, Knowles Pump Co., repairs	36 03
Deane Steam Pipe Co., valves	7 15
New England Iron Works, castings for boiler	27 43
M. Loughman, service wrench	2 50
W. H. Sawyer Lumber Co., lumber	14 93
Braham, Dow & Co., fittings	18 10
Duncan, Goodell Co., nails and hardware	7 88
C. Stewart & Son., grate bars	8 25
Ernest A. Graton, labor painting stand pipe	5 63

J. Pragoda, labor on leak	\$1 25
Arthur F. Fales, labor painting stand pipe	19 13
Michael J. Scott, locating service boxes	3 12
Wilson & Holden, cement	2 00
C. W. Putnam, labor painting stand pipe	12 25
Michael Nihin, labor on leaks	1 75
B. & M. R. R., freight	50 13
John J. Welch, wood	24 07
James E. O'Connor, cartage and sharpening picks	9 20
“ “ carting hose to and from depot	8 50
Edward Viner, cartage	50
“ “ wood	3 75
Michael Loughman, wood	8 50
Clarence W. Griffin, oil, chimuey, etc.	1 38
Louis M. Hanff, services as superintendent	25 00
“ “ reading meters	25 00
“ “ labor painting stand pipe	17 50
“ “ new connections	8 25
“ “ postage, telephone, etc.	5 900
“ “ rent of storage shed	5 00
George H. Miles, installing meters, etc.	10 55
Frank D. Forbush, blasting	6 00
	<hr/> \$2538 18
Interest paid on water loan	561 00
	<hr/> \$3099 18

Cr.

Bills rendered Rutland State Sanatorium for water from Feb. 1, 1912 to Feb. 1, 1913	\$2429 77
Bills rendered Charles J. Campbell, collector for town patrons, Jan. 1, 1912 to Jan. 1, 1913	1668 61
Bills rendered for construction work, pipe and fittings	279 50
Meters, pipe and fittings on hand	52 00

Town appropriation, hydrants		\$350 00
“ “ public building		20 00
“ “ watering troughs		10 00
“ “ Cemetery fountain		10 00
		<u>\$4819 88</u>
Bills approved and paid to March 1, 1913	\$2538 18	
Interest paid on water loan	<u>561 00</u>	
		3099 18
Balance in favor of the town		<u>\$1720 70</u>
Amount of bills rendered	\$4429 88	
Total expense	<u>3099 18</u>	
Cash balance		\$1330 70

COST OF OPERATING THE WATER SYSTEM FOR THE YEAR

Enginner's salary, pumping	\$576 15
Compensation for repairs at pumping station and leaks in mains	55 99
Cost of fuel	891 59
Freight and cartage	168 89
Material for repairs at pumping station and stand pipe	191 74
Labor on repairs and leaks	125 17
Superintendent's salary	50 00
Incidentals	15 08
One-tenth cost of cylinders	32 00
Rent of storage shed	5 00
Interest on water loan	<u>561 00</u>
	\$2692 61

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. HANFF,

Superintendent

Rutland, March 1, 1913

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$166 52	
Received from last year's appropriation	35 96	
Received from Fourth of July committee	22 81	
Total		\$225 29

Paid Librarian, salary	\$100 00	
Denholm & McKay Co., books	102 21	
E. H. Tripp, Printing	2 50	
Total		\$204 71

Balance unexpended	\$20 58
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The Librarian has received from fines etc.	\$4 48
and has paid for express and magazines	4 48

The circulation of the Library has been 3886

The following named organizations contributed to purchase periodicals for the reading table:

The Firemen	\$10 00	
The Grange	3 00	
Home Relief	3 00	
Ladies' Union	2 00	
Christian Endeavor	1 50	
Total		\$19 50

Magazines have been given by:

C. W. Dodge	Mrs. Sara Drury
Mrs. Mary Converse	Mrs. Morris Menges
Miss Catherine Munroe	Mr. Hubbles

Books have been given by:

Miss Sarah Bartlett	1	Miss Madeline Russell	3
Miss Mary Tripp	6	Pliny M. Howe	2

Mr. Heald 1

About 75 volumes have been added of the Library by purchase.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	}	Trustees
SARA B. DRURY,		of
SADIE P. MORRIS,		Library

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

H. Edward Wheeler, Treasurer, in account with the inhabitants of the Town of Rutland, Mass., for the year ending March 1, 1913.

Dr.

March 1, 1912, cash on hand	\$279 80
Rec'd of J. W. Munroe, collector	1662 77
C. J. Campbell "	22048 18
George H. Miles, hall rents	151 65
M. H. Scott, "	117 25
Interest on bank deposits	82 72
Merchants Nat'l Bank, temporary loan	10000 00
A. B. Celle, cement	1 50
Victor Nostrom, slaughter license	1 00
George E. Sharpe, "	1 00
Henry Converse, for chemicals	4 00
County Treasurer, dog fund	103 71
W. C. Temple, School Sup't account for $1\frac{1}{2}$ year	286 46
State Treasurer, $\frac{1}{2}$ compensation for ins. of animals	42 35
" " protection against forest fires	250 00
" " corporation tax, public service	9 81
" " " " business	45 21
" " National Bank tax	1 77
" " State Aid	318 00
" " High School tuition	500 00
" " reimbursement for loss of taxes on land used for public in- stitutions	272 06
" " income Mass. School Fund	1102 55
Wor. Five Cents Savings Bank, temporary loan	7500 00
B. & M. R. R., reimbursement for forest fires	16 50
Marsh Ice Co., coal	14 80
L. M. Hanff, coal	17 50
Total	\$44830 59

Cr.

Paid State Treasurer, State tax	\$1187 50
“ “ road tax	30 68
County Treasurer, County tax	731 00
Selectmen's orders	41655 84
Cash on hand to balance	1225 57
	<u>\$44830 59</u>

RUFUS HOUGHTON CEMETERY FUND

In Five Cent Savings Bank	\$100 00
Interest accrued	4 04
	<u>\$104 04</u>
Paid W. C. Temple, Treas, Rural Cemetery Association	4 04
Balance in Bank	<u>\$100 00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H. EDWARD WHEELER,

Treasurer

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1813

During the month of March 1912 the former Tax Collector J. W Munroe collected and paid to the Treasurer, Taxes to the amount of \$1662 77

1903 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$9 31	
	Interest collected	4 84	
			\$14 15
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$14 15
1904 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$8 77	
	Interest collected	4 03	
			\$12 80
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$12 80
1906 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$9 09	
	Interest collected	3 09	
			\$12 18
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$12 18
1907 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$89 30	
	Interest collected	4 92	
			\$94 22
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$94 22
1908 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$264 99	
	Interest collected	40 81	
			\$305 80
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$305 80

1909 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$509 00	
	Interest collected	<u>86 68</u>	
			595 68
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer	\$569 43	
	Abated Tax	<u>26 25</u>	
			<u>\$595 68</u>
1910 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$2167 52	
	Interest collected	<u>221 43</u>	
			\$2388 95
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer	\$2371 30	
	Abated Tax	9 35	
	Uncollected Tax	<u>8 30</u>	
			<u>\$2388 95</u>
1911 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$5446 69	
	Interest collected	<u>134 57</u>	
			\$5581 26
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer	\$3311 66	
	Abated Tax	37 12	
	Uncollected Tax	<u>2232 48</u>	
			<u>\$5581 26</u>
1912 Tax	Amount committed to collect	\$17680 35	
	Interest collected	<u>24 90</u>	
			\$17705 25
	CR.		
	Paid Town Treasurer	\$10955 22	
	Abated Tax	65 97	
	Uncollected Tax	<u>6684 06</u>	
			<u>\$17705 25</u>

WATER ACCOUNT

Bills Received		Paid	Due
July 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910	\$25 47	\$2 50	\$22 97
Jan. 1, 1910 to July 1, 1910	24 22	1 25	22 97
July 1, 1910 to Jan. 1, 1911	42 64	16 19	26 45
Jan. 1, 1911 to July 1, 1911	58 56	58 56	
July 1, 1911 to Jan. 1, 1912	176 00	174 85	1 15
Jan. 1, 1912 to July 1, 1912	611 81	568 95	42 86
July 1, 1912 to Jan. 1, 1913	1056 80	884 09	172 71
	<u>\$1995 50</u>	<u>\$1706 39</u>	<u>\$289 11</u>

EXTRAS

July 1, 1911 to Jan. 1, 1912	\$19 86	\$18 86	\$1 00
Jan. 1, 1912 to July 1, 1912	59 90	59 90	
July 1, 1912 to Jan. 1, 1913	219 60	186 50	33 10
	<u>\$299 36</u>	<u>\$265 26</u>	<u>\$34 10</u>
Sanatorium water, twelve months	\$2429 77	\$2429 77	
Old water bills	294 54		294 54
	<u>\$5019 17</u>	<u>\$4401 42</u>	<u>\$617 75</u>

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. CAMPBELL,

Collector

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Water Commissioners and Selectmen, and found them to be correct.

CLIFFORD J. GRAY,

Auditor

Rutland, March 12, 1913

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Of the Town of Rutland, for the Year Ending March 1, 1913

STATISTICS

Number of persons in town between five and fifteen years of age, as per school census September 1, 1912	192
Number of pupils enrolled since September 1, 1912	243
Per cent. of attendance	92.1

For the attendance by schools and terms, see the statistical table in the Superintendent's Report.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APPROPRIATIONS

Town appropriation	\$4600 00	
State, Superintendent's salary	286 46	
Income Massachusetts School Fund	1102 55	
State, for High School	500 00	
Due from Boston, tuition	142 50	
Due from State Board of Charity	52 50	
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		\$6884 01

TOTAL EXPENSE OF MAINTAINING SCHOOLS

Salaries of teachers	\$3786 00	
Transportation	1750 50	
Supervision	477 92	
Books and supplies	423 18	
Janitors	672 34	
Fuel	494 00	
Sundries	83 91	
Repairs	29 38	
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		\$7617 15
Overdrawn		\$933 13

BILLS APPROVED

TEACHERS SALARIES

Edward H. Leonard, Principal High School	\$1085 00
Miss M. Lillian Symonds, Asst. " "	40 00
Julius Warren " " "	143 00
Miss Gertrude Theobald " " "	264 00
Miss Marguerite Coydevant, Grammar, Center	132 00
Miss Ruth W. Bartlett " "	198 00
Miss Agnes Morrison " "	42 00
Miss Eva Allen, Intermediate, Center	132 00
Miss Gladys Dean " "	242 00
Miss Helen Moran, 1st Intermediate, Center	374 00
Miss Bessie Bartlett, Primary Center	132 00
Miss Gertrude Lovett " "	242 00
Miss Katheryne McGrath, North Rutland	120 00
Miss Margaret Kennedy " "	242 00
Miss Agnes Gilway, West Rutland	120 00
Miss Margaret Power " "	208 00
Mrs. Ruth B. Dwelly, Music Teacher	70 00

 \$3786 00

TRANSPORTATION

Matthew Cullen	\$445 50
Horace E Smith	292 40
George N. Jenkins	295 20
Weston R. Upham	259 40
Julia L. Davis	181 50
Deller Laton	212 00
George H. Rice	64 50

 \$1750 50

SUPERVISION

Charles L. Randall, Superintendent	424 92
Louis M. Hanff, School Committee	22 00
William C. Temple, School Committee	10 00
Dennis A. Smith, School Census	18 00
" Tuant Officer	3 00

 \$447 92

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett & Co.	\$141 59
E. E. Babb & Co.	179 22
Ginn & Co.	37 25
American Book Co.	8 18
Milton Bradley & Co.	3 85
L. E. Knott Co.	15 94
D. C. Heath & Co.	9 85
Allyn Bacon & Co.	3 00
Houghton Mifflin Co.	13 36
Henry Holt & Co.	6 79
A. M. Palmer Co.	96
L. A. Barnes	3 19

 \$423 18

FUEL

Center Building fuel and two-thirds Public Building Sundries	633 84
North Rutland wood, Geo. M. Davis	20 50
West Rutland wood, Jos. E. Ware	18 00

 \$672 34

JANITORS

George H. Miles, Center Schools	\$180 00
Michael H. Scott " "	180 00
Francis Ware, West Rutland	5 50
Julia L. Davis, North Rutland	17 50
Miss M. Power, West Rutland	11 00

 \$394 00

REPAIRS

George H. Miles, Center laboratory	\$29 30
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SUNDRIES

Walter H. Sargent, Cleaning W. R. School	\$4 95
Arthur F. Fales, Cleaning W. R. School	4 60
Clark Sawyer & Co., Waste Baskets	4 50
Edw. Moulton, Clocks	10 00

H. W. Calkins, Cartage	\$1 84
Boston & Maine Railroad Freight	73
Barnar & Sumner Co., Berlap etc.	2 04
Rose Gikes, Cleaning N. R. School	1 00
Miss Clara Bascom, Writing Diploma	1 50
Duncan, Goodell Co., Hardware	1 60
C. W. Griffin, Supplies	1 40
C. A. Hanson, Tuning and Repairing Piano	5 00
Miss. Grammo, Cleaning W. R. School	3 00
C. E. Snow, Repairing Clocks	3 00
C. L. Randall, Office Supplies, Postage	17 23
Louis M. Hunff, Express, Postage and Telephone	3 52
E. H. Tripp, Printing School Reports	7 00
Prouty Dodge Co., Printing	6 35
E. H. Leonard, Cash Paid Graduation	2 00
Miss Julia L. Davis, Cleaning N. R. School	1 85
Miss Julia L. Davis, Cash Paid for Brooms	80
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	\$83 91

STATE SCHOOL FUND

Received from State Treasurer	\$1102 55
Transferred to general account for school bills	1102 55

SCHOOL CENSUS

Mr. Dennis A. Smith was appointed enumerator, and he reported as follows.

Number of boys between the age of 5 and 15	105
Number of girls between the age of 5 and 15	87
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Number of boys between the age of 7 and 14	75
Number of girls between the age of 7 and 14	60
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CALENDAR—1913-14

SPRING TERM—Tuesday, April 1 to June 21, inclusive. High School to June 27, inclusive, 12 and 13 weeks.

FALL TERM—Tuesday, Sept. 2 to Nov. 22, 12 weeks.

WINTER TERM—Dec. 1 to Dec. 19, 3 weeks. Dec. 29 to Feb. 13 inclusive for grades, 7 weeks, and to March 20, inclusive for High School. Making 40 weeks for High School and 34 for grades.

The over draft is much larger than any year for some time, but seemed unavoidable as coal had to be bought March 1912, there being none on hand, this year we have over \$200 on hand, which will help out next year.

It is impossible to secure good teachers at former wages, as in every line of work all want increased wages.

Transportation cost more. Supplies are higher.

If the present standard of the schools is to be maintained the appropriation must be increased.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. TEMPLE,	} <i>School</i> <i>Committee</i>
GEORGE N. LAPHAM,	
LOUIS M. HANFF,	

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden. Mass., March 8, 1913

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF RUTLAND,

GENTLEMEN:

Your schools have been in good condition during the past year. Your teachers have uniformly done good work. There has been a small increase in number of pupils, nineteen more than last year. Only two teachers are with us now who were here a year ago. Changes which occurred at the close of the last school year, were in all cases I think, due to promotion elsewhere. Of the teachers who have left our service Miss Bessie Bartlett deserves especial mention. After spending four years in the primary school of her native town she has made a record as a teacher of the younger grades which is hard to surpass. All connected with the schools wish her the best of success.

While your schools are as I have stated in good condition to-day, here is one change which should be made which will do much to increase the efficiency of your upper grade and high school.

HIGH SCHOOL AND NINTH GRADE. For several reasons I believe that it would be better for the children of the ninth grade to be members of the high school. The average age of this grade September 1912, was 14 years 2 months, there were five pupils over 15 years of age at that time. This grade is now called a preparatory class and are doing at least half their work in high school subject, for example, Latin, Algebra and Civics are studied.

I advise the re-adjusting the work in such a manner that there will be but eight grades below the high school, this could well be done so

that the proposed change could be instituted at the beginning of the next school year. There are at present two teachers in the high school and four in the grades. I would keep the same number of teachers but would have three for the high school and three for the grades. I would make the "new" room a recitation room of the high school. This change would enable us to enrich the high school course and would without doubt keep a larger number of pupils in the high school for the entire course, something highly desirable.

I have long felt that we should give to the boys and girls who are not going to college or normal school, some studies more practical for everyday life; this we have been unable to do, as our two teachers can do no more than meet the legal requirements and fit for college. With three teachers the course could be enriched with more practical subjects which would give "mental discipline" and would also be valuable in after life, agricultural, commercial, and manual subjects for the boys, with sewing and domestic science for the girls.

State Agent, Clarence Kingsley, who now has charge of high schools has given this plan unqualified endorsement. State Agent, Warren, who is especially interested in the grades, has considered this matter carefully, coming to Rutland twice for this purpose, and heartily approved of it.

State Agent, Rufus Stimson, who has charge of agricultural work, has been to Rutland twice, at the invitation of your superintendent, to present the subject of agricultural education. I was disappointed that so little interest was manifested in this scheme, for I believe it would be a splendid thing for the town as well as the school, and would enable us to command the services of a high salaried man, as the state pays two-thirds of his salary. At present but eight boys with their parents have expressed a determination to take up this work if an opportunity is granted, too small a number to assure success. It is possible that greater interest may be shown later and that this line of work may be taken up another year.

DISTRICTS. Both the one-room schools are in good condition, though the school at the North has too many pupils for one teacher. You will see from the table of statistics a total enrollment of forty, while all through the year there have been thirty-eight, a large school if there were no more than two grades, an impossible one with all grades. I mean by this that no teacher can do for the pupils what we can reasonably expect should be done for them in the one-room schools. If this large number is to be permanent some remedy must be found for the over crowded condition. Several plans present themselves:

1st. The building could be enlarged for two schools; you will find such a building in Chaffin district town of Holden.

2nd. The building could be enlarged by a small addition, large enough for a small recitation room. It is a waste of money to employ two teachers in one room, but an assistant teacher could well be used if there was a recitation room, this could be accomplished as cheaply as possible by building a woodhouse, and a porch at the entrance, and then utilizing the space now taken by entry and woodshed for a recitation room.

3rd. A portable school house could be secured and placed either in the school yard or in some place in the village.

I believe that some action will be necessary by another Fall.

HEATING. I have recently made an attempt in the one-room school in Dawson, to find a remedy for the lack of heat distribution and ventilation which prevails with the customary wood stove placed in one end of a district schoolroom.

A jacket just as high as the barrel shaped stove and of six inches larger radius has been placed around the stove and fitted closely to it. A hole fourteen inches square has been cut beneath the stove and small holes whose aggregate area equals the aperture beneath the stove have been made in the top of the jacket, when a window is lowered as remote as possible from the stove a simple heating and ventilating system is achieved.

It takes but an elementary knowledge of the laws of physics to see that this simple device furnishes heating by convection and must therefore prove successful.

I visited the school in question the coldest day of the past winter to see the working of the system. Both teacher and older pupils gave no uncertain testimony to its success, An eighth grade girl in the back of the room said, "It is just as warm here now as anywhere in the room."

The cost of this contrivance is less than ten dollars. I would recommend that something similar be used in your two district schools before another winter.

MUSIC. Music has been taught in your schools during the past year. When you estimate the work done in music you must consider that the pupils of all grades had to start at the beginning. I consider this first year's teaching a success and call your attention to the report of the supervisor which follows.

BANKING. In May, 1912, such arrangements were made with the Worcester County Institution for Savings that a pupil could deposit right in his own school any sum from one cent up with perfect safety. When this sum reaches in amount three dollars it is placed on interest and a real bank book is issued to the pupil.

One Hundred Eighty-three Dollars and Forty-one Cents have been deposited by the Rutland pupils since the inception of this system in May. All expense is borne by the bank, it costs neither the child nor the town a penny.

Not alone is the spirit of thrift inculcated, but the child learns something of business methods as he makes out his own deposit slips and keeps his own bank books.

POTATO CLUB. The potato club was successfully carried out with seed furnished by the State College, and an exhibit was held in October under the auspices of the grange.

I look forward to a further encouragement of home gardening projects for the coming year, and hope that the exhibit in the Fall will also show results in other kinds of vegetable raising, also in flower growing, sewing and cooking. As in other years I ask the co-operation of the local grange.

INSTITUTES. January 15, 1913, a teachers institute was held in Holden, under the direction of State Agent, Julius E. Warren. The speakers were Miss Hannah P. Waterman, from North Adams Normal School, and Mr. William E. Riley, from Lowell Normal School.

The meeting was a great success, especially helpful were the writing lessons given by Mr. Riley, with the teachers of the district for his pupils. New inthusiasm in writing was shown at once in the schools.

OTHER REPORTS. I wish to call your attention to the report of the High School Principal, Music Supervisor, School Physician, and Truant Offlcer, which follow, also to the Table of Statistics, the Roll of Honor and the Honorary Mention.

With acknowledgement for the hearty support of the past year this report is,

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. RANDALL,

Superintendent

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT SCHOOLS,

DEAR SIR :

While the past year has not differed materially from last year it has in a way been the real test of the present system. The class which was graduated last June was in part the product of the system in use before the adoption of the added year and the uniform course of study. The class which graduates next June will have had the benefit of these changes during almost its entire course, and if their preliminary work furnishes a reliable basis for judgment the results should be even more gratifying than the results attained by the earlier class.

Each year I find that the number of parents who have visited the High School in session is very small. In fact I have previously been able to say that the only visitors who were parents were also school officers. The past year, in addition to these, one mother has found it possible to spend part of a day with us. In view of the importance of the High School in the training of the pupils this seeming lack of interest is very discouraging. By sending monthly deficiency reports as formerly and by making reports in the middle of the term as well as at the close I have tried to keep the parents informed, but these are poor substitutes for a short time spent in school where the effort of individual pupils may be judged in comparison with that of others.

From the table of statistics it will be seen that the attendance for the past year has not been as good as last year. It is a fact that the bulk of the absences has been by members of the two

lower classes. Of 306 half-day absences since September 208 or 68% have been by members of these two classes. By classes 7% have been by Seniors, 25% by the Juniors, 33% by the Sophmoresand 33% by the Freshmen. This seems to be explained in part at least by the fact that the members of the lower classes do not take their school work as seriously as do those of the upper classes, and secondarily by the fact that their parents do not yet realize what even a single day's absence may mean. Of course part of the work missed may be made up but there is sure to be some loss, and as each day's lesson is a link in the chain, sooner or later that loss will be felt. Naturally as the number of absences increases this loss increases.

During the present term the old selectmen's room has been put in shape for us to use for laboratory purposes. The result is already evident and the progress made is superior to that made under the plan we were formerly obliged to use. While not perfect the new arrangement shows that we have advanced at least one stage.

A word at this time in regard to the so called home study would perhaps not be out of place. To some parents this is no doubt an institution which if not so designed nevertheless does prove burdensome to them especially when carried down into the grades. In the high school few of the pupils can prepare all their lessons in school. The amount of study they must do out of school hours must be determined by the success they attain. The lessons are assigned neither for the quick nor for the slow scholar but for the average, consequently the brighter pupils will be able to prepare their lessos in shorter time than some of their classmates, while those who find difficulty must spend a longer time. Strangely perhaps the pupils who learn more quickly are the ones who spend the greater amount of time in

study and the ones who are the slowest and are getting the poorest results are the ones who neglect their work. To be sure each pupil has some time to study in school, but since there is always a class reciting in the room, this time is not equal to time at home, for few pupils of high school age have learned to concentrate themselves sufficiently.

Although the plan of the agricultural course has not met with the necessary approbation, I think the idea of a third teacher in the high school should be taken seriously. At present we are teaching eight periods every day. If, as I understand, the State Board is to limit the number to six, it will be impossible for us to offer the courses we do now. Courses are now combined or given in alternate years but should the time be reduced some courses would have to be left out. With the school at its present point of efficiency it would be a misfortune to take that step, which would probably mean that a graduate of this school would have to spend a year in some other school before being admitted to any higher institution.

The first objection to an additional teacher would be the increased cost. If however the ninth grade were made a preparatory year for the high school and the eighth grade seated with the present sub-grammar school no extra teacher would be required and the cost would be no more than at present.

The advantages of such an arrangement would be numerous. In the first place three teachers could teach the necessary subjects with greater chance for specialization. In the second place some subjects as Latin, Algebra and English now taught both in the ninth grade and the first year in high school could be combined or given in alternate years, thus saving several periods a week. In the next place it would be possible to secure a teacher fitted to teach such subjects as commercial or other vocational branches. Furthermore such a plan would make it

possible for those wishing to go to higher schools to be properly prepared while those who did not wish such subjects could have a good course without them. In the fifth place the periods could be lengthened or the teachers could have a spare period now and then to help individuals, either of which would be to the advantage of the school. Finally and perhaps not the least important point would be the probable solution of the question of discipline in the grammar room. For these reasons such a change seems to me both advisable and necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEONARD,

Principal

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

MR. C. L. RANDALL, Superintendent of Schools,

DEAR SIR :

Music occupies a distinctive place in education, and is recognized as an important part of the course of study.

No matter what system is used, the one great aim for the average child is to be able to sing with enough feeling and comprehension to enable him to derive enjoyment from this branch.

The music period should be a bright spot in the day's regular routine; one to be looked forward to with pleasure and a sense of appreciation.

Each year children enter our schools who are unable to sing more than two or three notes, and occasionally there is a pupil without power to locate the tones of the scale or to comprehend their relationship. Experience has proved that these little ones can be taught the scale in good tune, besides learning many songs before they leave the primary grade. The enjoyment does not come from the mere naming of notes, but from the ability to hear and reproduce the tones represented by the notes.

As in every other study in the school course, individual attention must be given to the preparation of the lesson, and the recitation is made by the individual; so the same should be true in music, and the child is encouraged to work individually.

The majority of the pupils are interested in their school music, and I am pleased with the enthusiasm which prevails and the progress shown.

I take pleasure in acknowledging here the courtesy extended me by the teachers; also for the kindly reception and advances made by the children, which is so helpful to one entering upon new duties.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH B. DWELLEY,

Supervisor of Music

ROLL OF HONOR

TWO YEARS

Dorice Moulton

ONE YEAR

Albina Celle, Leonard Cullen, Pearl Booth, Helen Welch, Ruth Adamson, Albert Cullen, Lena Celle, Margaret Cullen, John Deangelis, Bertha Davis, Edith Handy, Joseph Deangelis.

TWO TERMS

Harry Ryan, Edith Peabody, Esther Peabody, Herbert Peabody, Harriet Tucker, Helen Murphy, Hazel Sargent, Lloyd Viner, Irving Buck, Walter Burke, Freeland Dingley, Bertha Eccleston.

ONE TERM

Luke Berk, Frank Calkins, Willard Campbell, Gladys Hill, Malcolm Bulfinch, Marian Welch, Nellie Nash, George Campbell, Bernard Jenkins, Eleanor Upham, Martha Tucker, Emily Bliss, Mary Martin, James Curtis, Earl Gliden, Marjorie Viner, Stannie Morasky, Cecilia Curtir, John Clark, Morrill Forbush, Ruth Forbush, Oliver Davis, Walter Putnam, Joseph Bowen, Eva Hatstat, Joseph Scott, James Scott, Raymond Gleason, Rufus Putnam, Elizabeth Wheeler, Mary Lyons, Margaret Welch, Raymond Dame, Lila Strong, Genevieve Davis, Nina Handy, Alice Hatstat, Joseph Powe, Tyne Taiple, Douglas Viner, Florence Tucker, Florence Wheeler, Ruth Allen, Joseph Miles, James Martin, Chamberlain Williams, Ruth Lyman, Catherine Scott, John Martin, Fred Bacon, Frank Brooks, Clifford Gray, Veronica Deangelis, Mark Burke, Evelyn Ware, Paul Booth, Francis Ware.

ONE TERM

Frederic Holbrook, Inez Taylor, Arthur Verrier, Anastatia Karp, Raymond Richards.

HONORABLE MENTION

Frank Brooks, Frank Maynard, Fannie Miles, Bernice Putnam, Clara Robinson, Hazel Taylor, Mattie Jordan, Ethel Gray, Joseph Scott, Gladys Hill, Margaaret Welch, Walter Burke, Ella Scott, Albert Cullen, Frank Calkins, Elizabeth Wheeler, Elizabeth Cannon, Florence Wheeler, Bertha Eccleston, Grace Welch, Louis Jackson, Harold Sanford, Amelia Kehoe, Cathrine Scott, Leo Myers, Agnes Martin, Howard Allen, Marjorie Viner, Ruth Wheeler, Bertha Richards, Harriet Fiske, Josephine Karp, Eva Hatstat, Clarence Bigelow, Genevieve Davis, Mildred Locke.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

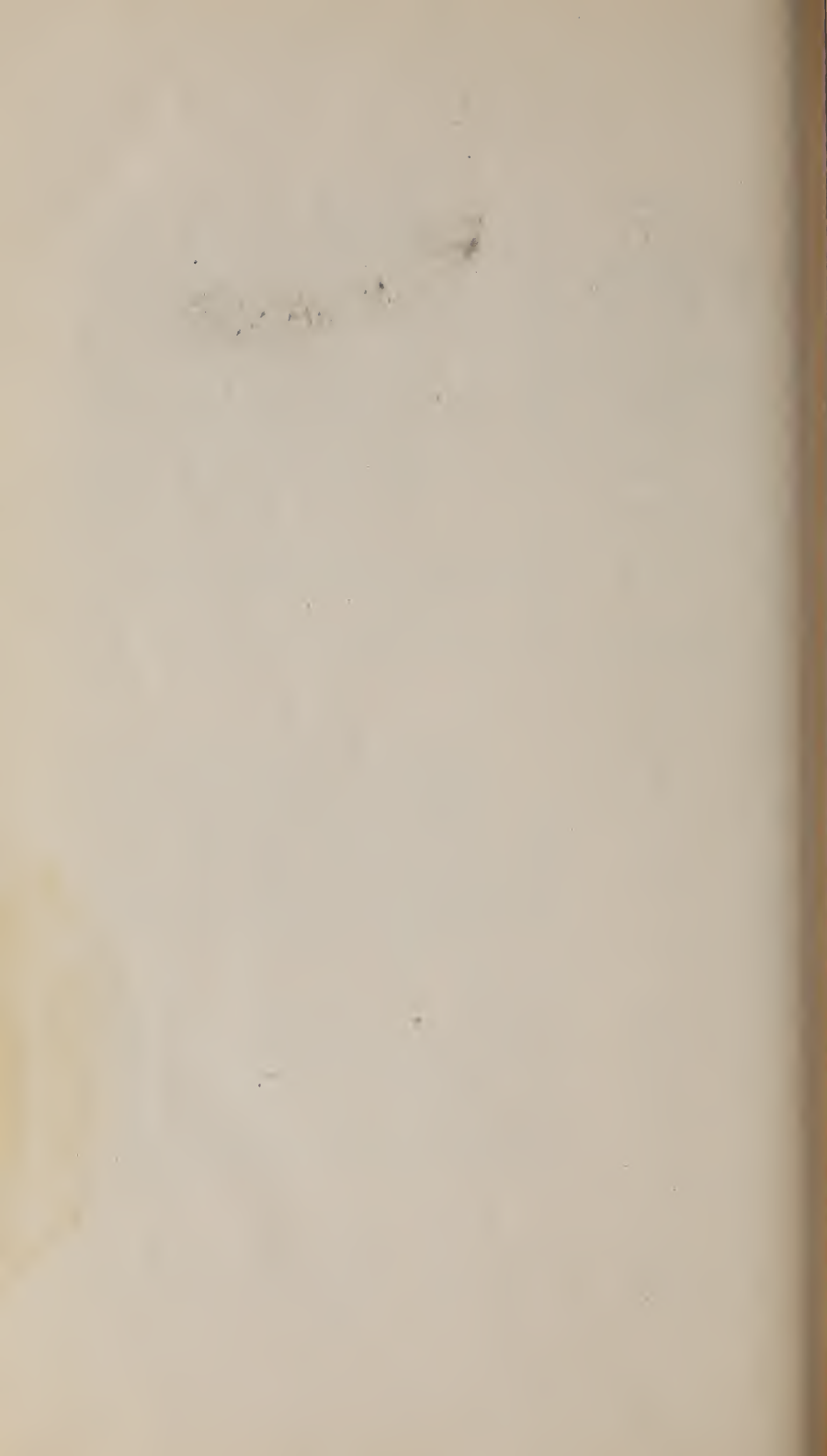
SCHOOL	TEACHER	EDUCATED AT	Number of weeks service	Salary	Total Enrollment	Present Enrollment	Per cent. of Attendance	Number of Pupils 7 to 14	No. of visitors	No. of Bank Depositors	Am't of Deposits
HIGH	Edward H. Leonard	Dartmouth	40	\$11.00	38	36	96.4	0	16	0	0
	Julius E. Warren, Jr.	Dartmouth	12	11.00							
	Gertrude Theobald	Smith	28	11.00							
GRAMMAR	Marguerite Coydevant	Boston University	11	11.00							
	Ruth Bartlett	Boston University*	16	11.00							
	Agnes Morrison	Worcester Normal	6	11.00	27	25	91.6	12	44	5	\$11.92
SUB GRAMMAR	Eva S. Allen	Cushing Academy	12	11.00							
	Gladys F. Dean	Framingham Normal	22	11.00	26	23	90.	22	12	14	\$31.93
INTERMEDIATE	Helen G. Moran	Worcester Normal	34	11.00	45	45	92.	39	31	17	\$35.37
PRIMARY	Bessie H. Bartlett	Wheelock Kindergarten	12	11.00							
	Gertrude Lovett	Westfield Normal	22	11.00	40	35	94.	25	27	14	\$19.06
WEST	Agnes Gilway	Worcester Normal	12	10.00							
	Margaret Power	Worcester Normal	22	10.00	27	21	85.	17	32	15	\$42.50
NORTH	Katharine S. McGrath	Worcester Normal	12	10.00							
	Margaret Kennedy	Worcester Normal	22	11.00	40	38	90.	32	18	25	\$42.70

*Not a Graduate

Figures based on Record since September

Total number of Pupils 243

Total Deposits \$183.41







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